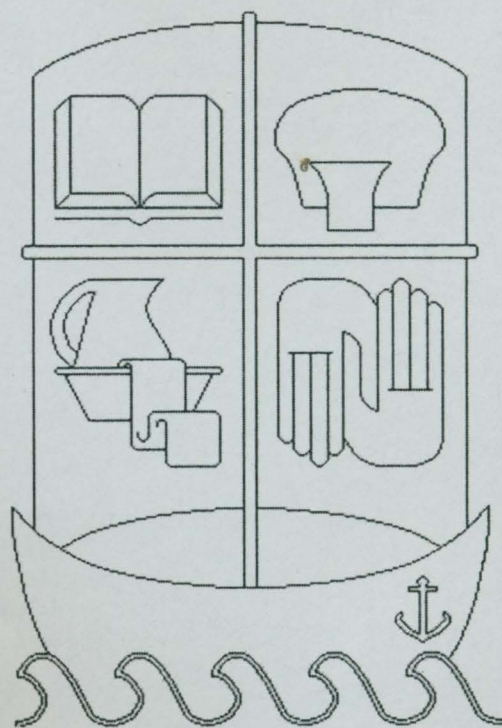


FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS



ANNUAL MEETING

Cushing 1st Will Baptist Church

February 17, 2018

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Information at a Glance

Officers

Moderator: James Coffelt	918.864.6397
Asst. Moderator: Bill Sagely	918.247.3065
Clerk/Treasurer: Robin Smith	918.729.6741
Assist Clerk/Treas: Robin Haskins	918.865.7942

Trustee Board

Mike Graves	2023
Coswell Thompson	2022
Bryson Bailey	2021
Andrew Gosnell	2020
Nathan Painter	2019

Christian Education Board

Kenneth Smith	2025
Andrew Whisett	2024
Ryan Smith	2023
Christina Prather	2022
Daniel Doss	2021
Sharai Gosnell	2020
Steve Thompson	2019

Credential Board

John Smith	2023
Everett Walrath	2022
Bill Sagely	2021
Gene Jackson	2020
Dale Haskins	2019

State General Board Member

Mike King	2018
Bryson Bailey	2019

Yearly Events	Place	Date
1 st Mission WAC Meeting	Silver City	April 7, 2018
1 st Mission Quarterly Meeting	1 st Mission Campgrounds	May 19, 2018 preaching Gene Jackson
1st Mission Church Camp	1 st Mission Campgrounds	June 3 – 8, 2018
1 st Mission WAC Retreat	Stillwater	July 27 & 28, 2018 Aug. 3 & 4,
1 st Mission Quarterly Meeting	1 st FWBC Drumright	August 18, 2018 preaching Mike King
1 st Mission Quarterly Meeting	1 st FWBC Oilton	November 17, 2018 preaching James Coffelt
1 st Mission WAC Meeting	1 st FWBC Drumright	December 1, 2018
1 st Mission Quarterly Meeting	Pretty Water FWBC	February 16, 2019 preaching John Smith

Annual Meeting the First Mission Association of Free Will Baptists

February 17, 2018

The meeting of the First Mission Association of Free Will Baptists met the Cushing First Free Will Baptist Church at 10 a.m. The service was opened in prayer led by Bro. Doyle Baker.

The congregation singing was led by the Cushing Church. A medley of "Jesus Saves", "Jesus", "Only Trust Him", and "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms".

The following visitors were recognized: *Bob Thompson* from Randall University reported March 8th will be Sr. Adult service and April 14th is Auction Alumni Day. *Jacob Myers* English Teacher in China gave a report Matt. 9:36, and *Bill Sagely* gave a report on Revive OK FWB.

The mornings devotion was given by Tyler Dezort, Cushing Youth Pastor at Cushing. 1 Cor. 15:54,56-58 "Work is not in vain." Lead in prayer.

Business Session

Moderator James Coffelt called the business session into order and read the By-laws.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the church letters (attached page 6). Motion carried. The delegates were seated.

The Resolutions Committee was appointed: Everette Walrath, chairman; Doyle Baker and Nathan Painter.

Treasurer, Robin Smith, gave report. (attached page 6 & 7) Motion made and seconded to accept the report. Motion carried.

No Executive Report.

Trustee Board report was read. The camp has the following camps scheduled in June: First Mission June 3rd, Weston 3rd week of June, and Canadian 4th week. Motion made and seconded to accept the report. Motion carried.

The Credential Board report (attached page 9) was given. Motion made and seconded to accept the report. Motion carried.

The report of the Christian Education Board was given. Forms for camp will be mail out next month. Their account balance is \$4,671.91. Motion made and seconded to accept the report. Motion carried.

The Women Active Report (attached page 10) was read. Motion made and seconded to accept the report. Motion carried.

The Obituary Report (attached 11) Motion made and seconded to accept the report. Motion carried.

Registration Report: 38 + 4 visitors

Resolution Report was read (attached page 12). Motion made and seconded to accept the report. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Information: Bill Sagley, pastor of Blue Bell reported that Ben Tuttle had turned in his credentials.

New Business:

Election of Officers:

Executive Officers remain the same (see **Information at a Glance page 1**)

Trustee Board: Nathan Painter 2019 and Mike Graves 2023

Christian Education Board: Kenneth Smith 2025, and Christian Prather replacing Jack Prather

Credential Board: John Smith 2023

State General Board Member: Bryson Bailey 2019

Quarterly Meetings:

May 19- 2018 – 1st Mission Campgrounds

August 18, 2018 – Drumright 1st

November 17, 2018 – Oilton 1st

February 16, 2019 – Pretty Water

Business Session ended in prayer led by James Coffelt.

Morning Worship

The worship service began with the Cushing church leading the congregation in "Worthy is the Lamb that Was Slain", "How Great Thou Art", and "I Will Glory in the Cross".

The Morning Offering was taken. Designated to the Myer Family. \$169.70 was received.

Bro. Bill Sagely, pastor at Blue Bell, was the morning speaker. "When Jesus Comes to Our Fields" Matt. 12:1-8; Mark 2:27. Disciples and Potential Disciples are Hungry

- a. Because of Need
- b. Meeting the Need
- c. Defending the Need
- d. Its not about law, tradition, or rituals: Bring rest to His Church, Disciples, People
- e. The church is a place of healing.
Why did Jesus choose the field?
 - a. It was producing
 - b. It was prepared for gleaning
 - c. It brought rest

Closed in prayer

First Mission Quarterly Association disbursements for 2017
January - December

accounts	Total	Co-op	TSP	Camp Expense	Randall	ACM	Quarterly Fees	quarterly acct	Randall chapel	Family Ministries
Oklahoma State Assn	\$ 22,258.81	\$ 8,213.00	\$ 9,906.70		\$ 1,930.00	\$ -	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 357.05	\$ 60.00	\$ 772.06
1st Mission Camp	\$ 9,006.71			\$ 7,788.71			\$ 900.00	\$ 318.00		
CE Board	\$ 295.00						\$ 295.00			
Robin Smith - clerk fee	\$ 1,320.00							\$ 1,320.00		
US Post Office	\$ 66.73							\$ 66.73		
Staples - printing	\$ 114.58							\$ 114.58		
Walmart - paper	\$ 6.88							\$ 6.88		
OK State Assn-dues	\$ 3,000.00						\$ 3,000.00			
totals	\$ 36,068.71	\$ 8,213.00	\$ 9,906.70	\$ 7,788.71	\$ 1,930.00	\$ -	\$ 5,215.00	\$ 2,183.24	\$ 60.00	\$ 772.06

First Mission Delegate Report for Feb. 17, 2018

Churches	church address	pastor	clerk	delegates	received
Allen	7001 Hwy 97, Supulpa				\$ 90.00
Blue Bell	20889 W Hwy 33, Sapulpa	Bill Sagely	Ann Kinsey	to be announced	\$ 90.00
Bristow	211 W Hwy 16, Bristow	Gene Jackson	Judy Combs	to be announced	\$ 90.00
Crosspointe	1807 N Jarlot, Stillwater	Mike King	Suzanne Collier	to be announced	\$ 90.00
Cushing	1130 E Main, Cushing	James Coffelt		Jonathan Spyers	\$ 90.00
Drumright	309 N Ohio, Drumright	John Smith	Carolyn Glimp	Helen Geyer, Rita Matherly, EmmaLee Paterson	\$ 90.00
Garden Heights	3415 S Summit, Sand Springs	Doyle Baker	Martha Howard	Sharai & Andrew Gosnell, Jay Yaws	\$ 90.00
Lake Area	371580 E Hwy 64, Cleveland	Dan Doss	RuthAnn Newiman	Jim Castleberry, Michelle Welch	\$ 90.00
Lewis Avenue	1928 N Lewis Ave, Tulsa	Dustin Bowden	Tina Trampler	Helen Harrison, Janet Bryan	\$ 90.00
Liberty	39490 W Hwy 33, Mannford	Henry Stahl	LaDonna VanZant	Silva Thompson, Cass Thompson	\$ 90.00
Oilton	108 N A, Oilton	Nathan Painter	Joan Warren	to be announced	\$ 90.00
Okmulgee	601 S Oklahoma St, Okmulgee		Ethellea Frye	to be announced	\$ 90.00
Ponca City	1900 E Hubbard Rd, Ponca City	Adam Phillips	Becky Robertson	to be announced	\$ 90.00
Pretty Water	8335 S 145th W Ave, Sapulpa	Everette Walrath	Linda Austin	to be announced	\$ 90.00
Silver City	44840 W 51st St S., Jennings	Dale Haskins		Diana Terrill	\$ 90.00
					\$ 1,350.00

First Mission Quarterly Association
Annual Income 2017 (January - December)

Churches	Total	Co-op	TSP	Camp Expense	Randall	ACM	Quarterly Fees	Quarterly acct	Randall chapel	Family Ministries	Direct Giving
Allen	\$ 1,035.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 675.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 360.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Blue Bell	\$ 360.00						\$ 360.00				
Bristow	\$ 4,760.00		\$ 4,400.00	\$ -			\$ 360.00				
Crosspointe	\$ 360.00						\$ 360.00				
Cushing	\$ 360.00						\$ 360.00				
Drumright	\$ 360.00						\$ 360.00				
Garden Heights	\$ 2,560.00			\$ 2,200.00			\$ 360.00				
Lake Area	\$ 360.00						\$ 360.00				
Lewis Avenue	\$ 360.00						\$ 360.00				
Liberty	\$ 828.36		\$ 468.36				\$ 360.00				
Oilton	\$ 5,087.61		\$ 3,118.34	\$ 1,059.27	\$ 550.00		\$ 360.00				\$ 5,275.00
Okmulgee	\$ 3,934.00	\$ 1,787.00					\$ 360.00	\$ 1,787.00			
Ponca City	\$ 360.00						\$ 360.00				
Pretty Water	\$ 11,046.00	\$ 6,426.00	\$ 1,920.00	\$ 1,560.00	\$ 780.00		\$ 360.00				\$ 2,795.00
Silver City	\$ 3,502.06			\$ 1,710.00	\$ 600.00		\$ 360.00		\$ 60.00	\$ 772.06	\$ 1,935.00
total	\$ 35,273.03	\$ 8,213.00	\$ 9,906.70	\$ 7,204.27	\$ 1,930.00	\$ -	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 1,787.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 772.06	\$ 10,005.00

other income

beginning bal	\$ 1,458.21
other income	\$ 1,332.05
churches	\$ 35,273.03
disbursements	\$ (36,068.71)
2017 ending balance	\$ 1,994.58
less st & natl dues	\$ (750.00)
true quarterly balance	\$ 1,244.58

Prather - utilities	\$ 646.00
Robin-tithe	\$ 11.00
FWB Foundation	\$ 194.00
1st Mission Camp	\$ 128.00
1st Mission Camp	\$ 190.00
Harvest	\$ 163.05
total	\$ 675.05
total misc income	\$ 1,332.05

camp	quarterly acct
quarterly offerings	
quarterly offerings	
quarterly offerings	
quarterly offerings	

First Mission Annual Stats of 2017

	In city	Rural	Bio-Vocational	Full time	Baptisms	Members added	Members lost	Budget	Tithes/ offerings	parsonage	Church property value	Ordained ministers	Licensed ministers	Number of deacons	Sunday School enrollment
Allen									0						
Blue Bell		X			2	9			127,754.10	X		2		2	
Bristow	X			X			5	X		X		2	2	1	140
Crosspointe	X			X	1	6	14	X							
Cushing															
Drumright	X			X			2		69,093.00	X	425,000.00	1		1	39
Garden Heights	X					3									
Lake Area		X		X		6	2		41716.25			1		1	12
Lewis Avenue	X		X										1	2	
Liberty		X	X		1	1			36,799.50		400,000.00	1			15
Oilton	X		X		5	2	1	X	85,000.00		500,000.00	2		1	
Okmulgee	x								40,264.22		500,000.00			1	12
Ponca City	X			X	10		3		181,710.35		200,200.00	2		1	106
Pretty Water		X	X									1		1	
Silver City															
					17	18	27		\$ 582,337.42		\$ 2,025,200.00	10	3	9	324

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

The credential board of the FIRST MISSION ASSOCIATION of FREE WILL BAPTIST met

Feb. 17, 2018.

Jonathan Spyers was presented to the credential board to be examined for the purpose of being ordained to preach the GOSPEL of JESUS CHRIST.

After examination it is the board's recommendation that he be approved for ordination.

This recommendation is presented for consideration by the following board members.

Rev. [Signature]
[Signature]
Rev. [Signature]

First Mission Women Active for Christ

December 2, 2017

Oilton Free Will Baptist Church

The First Mission Women Active for Christ met on December 2, 2017 at the Oilton Free Will Baptist Church. The theme for the day was "The Gift of Mercy and Kindness." Our president, Sis. April Bridwell welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with prayer. Sis. Gail Smith led us in congregational singing. The business session began with the appointment of committees. The minutes and treasurer's report were read and approved. A report was given on the projects for Oklahoma Women Active for Christ that were adopted at the state meeting in October. The projects this year are to raise funds to help Lori Torrison sponsor a ladies retreat in Uruguay, to raise funds to help Jacob and Sarah Myers with the cost of adoption and citizenship for 3 of their children, a portable sound system for Randall University and raising needed funds for hosting the 2020 National Convention. Carol Smith gave a report on our District Retreat. The offering was taken. Door prizes were awarded. We were treated with a return visit from "Ima Payne" who caught us up on her kids and grandkids. Prayer was led by Sis. Laura Biswell and then we had a break for refreshments and fellowship together.

Following the break we the committee reports were given. Registration reported 24 present. Finance committee reported an offering of \$150.00. The Resolution Committee presented 3 resolutions for consideration. 1) Be it resolved that we give \$100.00 to our speaker, Sis. Tracy Payne. Carried. 2) Be it resolved that we give the Oilton church a vote of thanks for hosting today's meeting. Carried. 3) Be it resolved that our offering be put into the General Fund. Carried. The Nominating Committee made recommendations for officers and they were elected as follows. President – April Bridwell; Vice President – Helen Geyer; Secretary – Robin Haskins; Assistant Secretary – Carolyn Glimp; Treasurer – Donna Kinsey; Field Worker – Louise Richmond; Missions – Marsha Wilkerson; Members At Large – Sue Baker, Carol Smith and Laura Biswell. The business session was adjourned.

The worship service began with the Oilton Teens leading us in congregational singing. Special music was provided by the Oilton Teens who sang "O Come to the Altar." Sis. Robin Haskins introduced our speaker, Sis. Tracy Payne. She read scripture from Romans 12:8-10 then spoke to us about "Mercy and Kindness." She said the more we submit to kindness, the more distasteful unkindness becomes. One decision to be kind can change the course of history. She concluded her message in prayer.

Announcements were made and the service was dismissed in prayer led by Sis. Juanita Parker.

First Mission Quarterly Association Obits for 2017

<i>Church</i>	<i>Members who passed</i>
Allen	
Blue Bell	
Bristow	Imogene Dawson, Barbara Farmer, Marry Timmons, Ester Edwards, & Nicholas Flood
Crosspointe	
Cushing	Lete Thompson, James Cooper, L.V. White
Drumright	Debbie Burchett & Alice Cox
Garden Heights	
Lake Area	Bill Ragle, Joyce Bagley
Lewis Avenue	
Liberty	
Oilton	Gerald (Gerry) Mills
Okmulgee	Berthal Mae Ennis (1 wk shy her 100 th birthday)
Ponca City	Archie Barrick, Jack Akers, & Anette Smith
Pretty Water	
Silver City	

First Mission Association of Free Will Baptist

Resolution Committee Recommendation

Date: 2-17-18

1. Standing Vote of Thanks to
Cushing FWB

2. Designate offering to China Ministry

3. _____

Submitted by:

Don Rake
Robert Paul
John Paul

Directory of Churches Belonging to the First Mission Association of Free Will Baptists 2018

Allen Free Will Baptist Church
7001 Hwy 97
Sapulpa, OK 74066
918.224.7744
afwboffice@gmail.com

Pastor: Johnny Bilby Barbara
518 W Cleveland, Sapulpa, 74066
918.906.9744
pastorjebibly@gmail.com

Clerk: Annie Bilby
513 E Lakeview, Sapulpa, 74066
918.519.0660
Annie.bilby@yahoo.com

Blue Bell Free Will Baptist Church
20889 W Hwy 33
Sapulpa, OK 74066
918.247.6776

Pastor: Bill Sagely Rachel
20889 W Hwy 33, Sapulpa, 74066
918.247.3065

Clerk: Ann Kinsey
13419 Dusty Trail, Sapulpa,
74066
918.247.6020

Bristow First Free Will Baptist Church
211 W Hwy 16
PO Box 864
Bristow, OK 74010
918.367.3612
Fax: same
Bristowffwb@gmail.com

Pastor: Gene Jackson Martha
434 W 2nd , Bristow, OK 74010
Home: 918.367.3755
Cell: 918.760.3258
genejackson@yahoo.com

Clerk/Treasurer: Judy Combs
PO Box 252, Depew, OK 74028
918.636.5134

CrossPointe
1807 N Jardot Rd
Stillwater, OK 74075
405.372.6721

Pastor: Mike King Jenni
2326 N Benjamin, Stillwater, 74075
580.251.1074
mikepastorking@gmail.com

clerk/Treasurer: Janet Gomez
1420 N Arrington Ct, Stillwater
405.742.7965
Jlgomez05@att.net

Cushing Free Will Baptist
1130 N St
Cushing, OK 74023
918.225.2907

Pastor: James Coffelt Jami
3808 N Norfolk, Cushing, OK 74023
918.864.6397
cushingfwb@gmail.com

Clerk:

Drumright First Free Will Baptist
PO Box 266
Drumright, OK 74030
Physical address:
309 N Ohio
918.325.9214

Pastor: John E. Smith Robin
PO Box 266, Drumright, OK 74030
918.729.4660
johnthefwbaptist@yahoo.com

Clerk: Carolyn Glimp
48001 W 138th Pl. S., Drumright
918.352.3993

Garden Heights Free Will Baptist
3415 S Summit Blvd
Sand Springs, OK 74063
918.245.5572

Pastor: Doyle Baker Sue
1120 N Main, Sapulpa, 74066
918.695.5184

Clerk: Martha Howard
5202 S State Hwy 97, Apt 205
Sand Springs, OK 74063
mhoward3024@yahoo.com

Lake Area Free Will Baptist
371580 E Hwy 64
Cleveland, OK 74020
918.358.2120

Pastor: Daniel Doss Keesha
371580 E Hwy 64, Cleveland 74020
918.399.8080

Clerk: Ruth Ann Newman

Lewis Ave Free Will Baptist
PO Box 581958
Tulsa, OK
918.584.6695

Pastor: Dustin Bowen n/a

Clerk: Tina Trampler
3934 S Norfolk, Tulsa, OK 74110
trompti@tulsaschools.org

Liberty Free Will Baptist
39490 W Hwy 33
Mannford, OK 74044
Physical address:
86954 W Hwy 33
Mannford, OK 74044

Pastor: Henry Stahl n/a
PO Box 164, Bristow, OK 74010
918.497.0720

Clerk/Treasurer: LaDonna VanZant
39480 W Hwy 33, Mannford 74044
918.706.8017
LaDonnavz511@gmail.com

Oilton Free Will Baptist
PO Box 61
Oilton, OK 74052
Physical address:
108 N A
Oilton, OK 74052
918.862.3591

Pastor: Nathan Painter Mandy
51190 W 61st St, Jennings, 74052

Clerk: Joan Warren
PO Box 66, Oilton, OK 74052
918.862.3368

Okmulgee First Free Will
601 S Oklahoma
Okmulgee, OK 74447
918.759.9936

n/a

Clerk/Treasurer: Ethellea Frye
916 S Mission, Okmulgee, 74447
918.756.8568

Ponca City Free Will Baptist
1900 E Hubbard Rd
Ponca City, OK 74604
580.765.5393

Pastor: Adam Phillips Rebecca
1125 Rosedale, Ponca City, 74064
580.716.0628
adam@poncafwchurch.com

Clerk: Becky Robertson
2405 Oriole, Ponca City, 74601
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Onefoxnurse1959@yahoo.com

Pretty Water Free Will Baptist
PO Box 898
8335 S 145th W Ave
Sapulpa, OK 74067
918.224.9580

Pastor: Everett Walrath Crystal
2933 Hickory Bluff Rd, Sapulpa 74066
405.207.4469
Everett.walrath@yahoo.com

Clerk: Linda Austin
15930 W 86th St So, Sapulpa, 74066
918.232.7904

Silver City Free Will Baptist
44840 W 51st St S
Jennings, OK 74038
198.865.3816

Pastor: Dale Haskins Robin
41866 W 51st St S, Jennings, 74038
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deaconfrog@msn.com

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First Mission Women Active for Christ

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Vice-President: Helen Geyer – 918.352.9741 or 918.978.3191
Secretary: Robin Haskins – 918.520.1990
Asst. Secretary: Carolyn Glimp – 918.352.
Treasurer: Donna Kinsey – 918.224.7233
Field Worker: Louise Richmond – 405.334.8681
Missions: Marsha Wilkerson
At Large: Sue Baker
At Large: Carol Smith – 918.224.0572 or 918.798.9070
At Large: Laura Biswell– 918.225.8800

Annual Theme: The Christian Heart

Scripture Reference: Proverbs 4;23

Upcoming Meetings:

Aug 3 & 4
Retreat: ~~July 27th – 28th~~, Stillwater

Sub-theme: A Heart of Love

Scripture: Matthew 22: 37 & 39

Speaker: Debe Taylor

Alternate Speaker:

Let Us Laugh: Garden Heights

Special Music: Amber Haskins ?

Refreshments: each church

Quarterly Meeting: December 1st, Drumright

Sub-theme: The Happy Heart

Scripture: Proverbs 22:17 & 15:13

Speaker: Kelly Abney

Alternate Speaker: Joan Warren

Let Us Laugh: Helen Geyer

Special Music: Rachel Sagely

Refreshments: each church

Questionnaire on Doctrine
Ministers & Deacons

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____

1. Do you believe that the Scriptures, the Old and New Testament, are the infallible Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice? _____
2. Do you believe in the Trinity? _____
3. Name the Godhead? _____
4. Is salvation obtained only through the blood of Christ? _____
5. Name the conditions of salvation? _____
6. Do you believe that speaking in an unknown tongue is evidence of having received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit? _____ Do you believe that one gift of the Holy Spirit is speaking in an "unknown" or heavenly language unknown to mankind? _____
7. Do you believe in a second definite work of Grace or Baptism of the Holy Ghost (Spirit) separate and apart from regeneration? _____
8. What composes or makes up the body of Christ? _____
9. Does the Bible teach that God has an organized visible Church on this earth? _____
10. Do you believe that Baptism is a Gospel Ordinance? _____
11. Who are the proper subjects for Baptism? _____
12. What is the proper method of water baptism? Immersion Sprinkling Pouring Other _____
13. Do you believe that the Lord's Supper and Feet Washing are divine ordinances and should be observed repeatedly? _____
14. Do you teach and practice these ordinances? _____ Do you practice these ordinances at night? _____
15. Do you believe in the possibility of apostasy? _____
16. Do you believe in the resurrection of the bodies of all men? _____
17. Do you believe that there will be a judgement when time and man's probation will close forever and then all will be judged according to their works? _____
18. Do you believe that immediately after judgment, the righteous will enter into eternal life, and the wicked into a state of endless punishment? _____
19. Do you believe that Christ at His second coming will close the gospel dispensation, glorify His saints and judge the world? _____
20. I pledge myself to teach and defend the Free Will Baptist Doctrine to the best of my ability. If at any future time I preach or teach any doctrine contrary to the Free Will Baptist articles of faith, I will surrender my credentials to the Quarterly Conference or Association of which I am a member.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

First Mission Association
Oklahoma State Association of Free Will Baptists

Questionnaire for Ordination
Deacon

Name: _____ Date: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Church: _____

1. How long have you been a Christian? _____
 2. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? _____
 3. Is your wife a Christian? _____ Church Member? _____
 4. How many times have you been married? _____ Your wife? _____
 5. Do you, or your wife, have a former living spouse? _____
 6. Does your wife support you being ordained as a deacon? _____
 7. How many children do you have? _____
 8. Are your children Christians? _____
 9. Are your children members of the church? _____
 10. How long have you been serving as a deacon? _____
 11. What is God's plan for financing the church? _____
 12. What is tithing? _____
 13. Do you tithe? _____ Do you teach and encourage tithing? _____
 14. How should your church support the overall Free Will Baptists denominational programs? _____
 15. How should your church support the overall Free Will Baptists denominational programs? _____
 16. What are the Scriptural qualifications for a deacon? _____
Bible Reference? _____
 17. Based upon these teachings, are you qualified for the office of deacon? _____
 18. Are you in agreement with the provisions of the Deacons as outlined in the Free Will Baptists Treatise? _____
 19. What section in the Treatise refers to these provisions? _____
 20. Name some of the duties of a deacon?
 - (1) _____
 - (2) _____
 - (3) _____
 - (4) _____
 21. Do you support the State Association's stand on gambling? _____
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First Mission Association
Oklahoma State Association of Free Will Baptists

Questionnaire for License
Ministers

Name: _____ Age: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____

Member of _____ Church?

1. How long have you been a Christian? _____
2. Do you believe in a Divine call to the ministry? _____
3. If so, have you definitely felt this call? _____ Describe the calling:

4. Are you married? _____ If so, how many times? _____
5. If more than once, is there a former companion living? _____
6. If not married, do you plan to marry in the near future? _____
7. If married, is your wife a Christian? _____ Is your wife a Free Will Baptist? _____
8. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? _____
9. If you have belonged to any denomination other than Free Will Baptist, please state which and how long with each. _____
10. What is God's plan for supporting His work? _____
11. Do you practice tithing? _____ Where do you pay your tithes? _____
12. Are you willing to make any sacrifice that may be involved in this ministry? _____
13. Will you abstain from any indulgence that might hinder your effective influence _____
14. Do you believe that as a minister, you should study to show yourself approved of God?
Explain: _____
15. Have you ever had training in doctrinal theology? _____
16. Have you ever had any training in homiletics? _____
17. Have you ever had any training in ministerial ethics? _____
18. What are your immediate plans concerning the ministry? _____
19. What are the Biblical Qualifications of a minister? Please give references: _____

20. Are you acquainted with what Free Will Baptist believe? _____
21. Is there anything we teach which you do not believe? _____ If so, what?

**First Mission Association
Of
Free Will Baptists**

Application for Ordination of Minister

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Marital Status: _____ Age: _____ Number of Children: _____
Church Membership: _____
How long have you carried a license? _____
Who issued the license? _____
Why do you want to be ordained? _____

Do you, or your spouse, have a living spouse from a previous marriage? _____
How long have you been a Christian? _____
How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? _____
Does your wife support your ordination? _____
Do you, or your wife, have any habits that would hinder your ministry? _____
Do you use tobacco in any form? _____
Do you support the "Church Covenant" statement on alcohol? _____
What sacrifices are you willing to make in order to be successful at your ministry? _____

Will your financial circumstances hinder your ministry? _____
Have you belonged to another denomination? _____
Do you believe in tithing? _____ Do you practice tithing? _____
Describe your previous education: _____

What have you done educationally to prepare for your ministry? _____

Do you have plans to better qualify yourself for your ministry? _____

Are you willing to continue preaching under a license if this committee deems it would be best? _____
Do you support the work of the Quarterly conference, State and National ministries? _____
What have you done in the past to support these ministries? _____

What is the ministry in which you are currently involved? _____

**First Mission Association
Of
Free Will Baptists**

Application for Acceptance as an Ordained Minister

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Marital Status: _____ Age: _____ Number of Children: _____
Church Membership: _____
Are you ordained? _____ Which Free Will Baptist Association last ratified your
Ordination Certificate? _____
Can you receive a letter of recommendation from your previous association? _____
Why do you want to be accepted into this Association? _____

Do you, or your spouse, have a living spouse from a previous marriage? _____
How long have you been a Christian? _____
How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? _____
Do you, or your wife, have any habits that would hinder your ministry? _____
Do you use tobacco in any form? _____
Do you support the "Church Covenant" statement on alcohol? _____
What sacrifices are you willing to make in order to be successful at your ministry? _____

Will your financial circumstances hinder your ministry? _____
Have you belonged to another denomination? _____
Do you believe in tithing? _____ Do you practice tithing? _____
Describe your previous education: _____

What have you done educationally to prepare for your ministry? _____

Do you have plans to better qualify yourself for your ministry? _____

Do you support the work of the Quarterly conferences, State and National ministries? _____

In what capacities have you served in Quarterly conferences, State and National
ministries? _____

CHURCH COVENANT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **The Bible.** The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.
2. **God.** There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey.
3. **Christ.** Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.
4. **The Holy Spirit.** The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.
5. **The Government of God.** God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires.
6. **The Sinfulness of Man.** Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherits a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.
7. **The Work of Christ.** The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free, and is the ground of salvation by faith.
8. **The Terms of Salvation.** The conditions of salvation are:(1) Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. (2) Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin, and becomes a child of God (3) Continuance of faith and obedience unto death.

9. Election. God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence, by faith in Christ men become His elect.

10. Freedom of the Will. The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.

11. Salvation Free. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

12. Perseverance. All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

13. Gospel Ordinances. BAPTISM, or the immersion of believers in water, and the LORD'S SUPPER, are the ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. FEET WASHING, an ordinance teaching humility, is of universal obligation, and is to be ministered to all true believers.

14. Tithing. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (1 Cor. 16:2a).

15. The Christian Sabbath. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God.

16. Resurrection, Judgment, and Final Retribution. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. Those who have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.

**Constitution and By-Laws
Of the
First Mission Association of Free Will Baptist**

Constitution

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

Article 2. The Conference of this Association shall consist of all Ordained Ministers, Ministers wives, Ordained Deacons, Church Clerks, and three delegates from all duly organized Free Will Baptist Churches of the First Mission Association. Each church shall represent by letter.

Article 3. The officers of this Association shall be: (1) A standing clerk and treasurer and a moderator who shall be chosen at the yearly session of the Association, with assistants as may be found necessary. (2) The Associational General Board shall be composed of the Association Officers and the Chairman of the Associational Boards. The Association Moderator, Clerk and the Chairman of the Associational Boards shall compose the Associational Executive Committee. (3) A Trustee 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 no less than ten members. This board shall also serve as planning board. (4) All Association Boards to be paid traveling expenses at the current allowable rate of the IRS.

Article 4. Any well organized and well regulated Free Will Baptist Church 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 Association shall have power to discipline the Churches of which it is composed and to exclude them for disorderly walk if labor proves unsuccessful, but in no case to reverse their decisions, not to interfere with any of their internal regulations.

Article 6. The sessions of this Association shall be held quarterly on the Saturday following the second Sunday of February, May, August, and November and the place 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 churches and transact such other business not repugnant to this constitution, nor to the practices of the denomination, but such as may in their judgment promote the cause of Christ and the interest of the churches within the limits of this Association.

Article 7. This Association shall have the power to adopt and 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 wife. Let it be known also, that any ordained personnel in the Association who shall remarry and have two living wives shall forfeit his credentials Let it also be known, if they marry someone with a living companion, they shall forfeit their credentials.

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

Article 10. Any church of the Association which does not send in their letters of report filled out and does not pay the associational dues for one year shall be dropped from the membership of the Association.

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 Churches be in the hands of the Associational Clerk at least one week before conference convenes.
6. That all of our Churches use the letter forms furnished by our clerk.
7. That all the churches having candidates for ordination or license or ratification send request to the Association in
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 one time.
9. That no Minister be received into the Association from another Denomination or Association unless accompanied by a letter of recommendation.
10. That the Moderator with his Assistant appoints 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 a recommendation had been received from the Credential Board and approved by the Association.
14. That the First Mission Association have a printed program.
15. That the Associational Officers serve as the Associational Program Planning Committee.
16. That no two persons from the same church be elected to serve on the same board of this association, with the exception of the Trustee Board which may have two persons from the same church.
17. That the Credential Board be urged to act as quickly as possible on candidates for license or ordination. Be it further resolved that if the board cannot reach a decision at the Association, that they be allowed to wait three months.
18. That no one be licensed or ordained by First Mission Association who uses tobacco and no one will be accepted as a Deacon or Minister into this Association who uses tobacco.

19. That sister churches which withdraw fellowship from the Association because of failure to meet requirements of good standing as prescribed by the Association not be accepted back into fellowship until such time as a church acknowledge the error of their way, and agree to abide by the Executive Boards recommendation as approved by the Association.
20. That no church, no Preacher, or Deacon be voted on or accepted into this Association unless they are present at that meeting with a petitionary letter and recommendation from the Credential Board unless excused by the Credential Board.
21. That licensed ministers be actively involved in pastoral or evangelistic ministry before being approved for ordination.
22. That this Association faithfully adopts and follows the Free Will Baptist Treatise as is currently published by the National Association of Free Will Baptists.
23. That this Association has the explicit authority to discipline, reprimand or withdraw fellowship from churches that call and or retain pastors who will not appear before the Credential Board or who, for doctrinal, moral, spiritual, or non-recommendation reasons cannot be recognized or accepted into our fellowship.
24. That Roberts Rules of Order be our guide and directive in conducting business.
25. That our Pastors not attending our Associational meetings be strongly encouraged to attend all meetings as possible, since this is a part of the work of the lord.
26. That we give a standing vote of thanks to the Host Church for the meal and hospitality.

BY-LAWS

1. The moderator or assistant moderator, or in their absence, the oldest Minister present, shall call the Association into conference.
2. Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer.
3. Five members from two or more churches shall constitute a quorum. A less number may adjourn until such quorum is present.
4. Visiting brethren are invited to seats as advisory members.
5. Those who speak shall arise and address the moderator. Personal 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, CTS, 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 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

