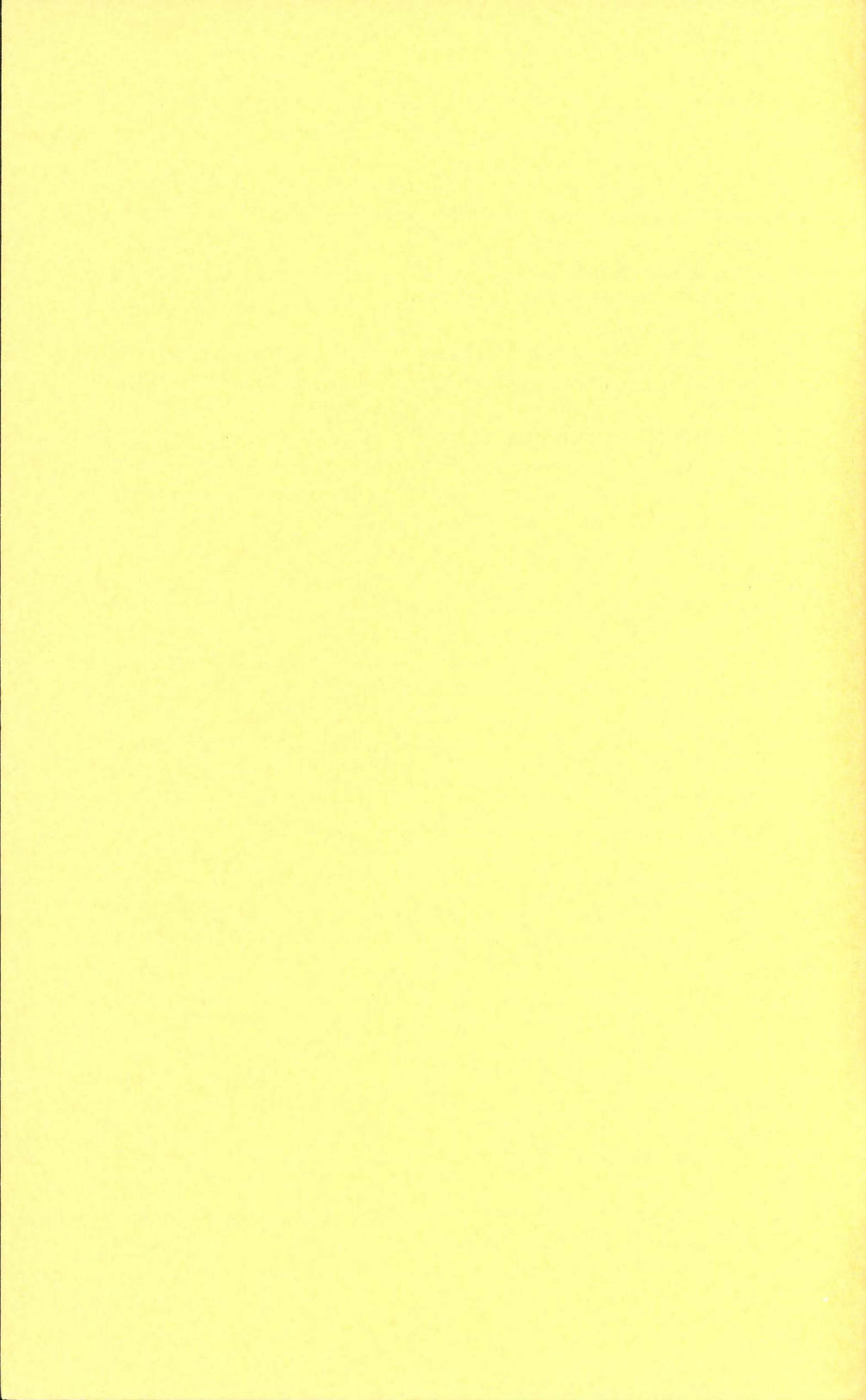


MINUTES
of the
FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION
of the
FIRST NEW MEXICO ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTIST
in
NEW MEXICO

Convened In
Carlsbad, New Mexico
May 5-6, 1960
At The
First Free Will Baptist Church

Moderator.....Rev. B. W. Hutchison, Jr.
Asst. Moderator.....Rev. Delbert Davis
Clerk.....Sister G. E. Melton
Asst. Clerk.....Sister Ola Mae Winters
Treasurer.....Bro. Owen Palmer



PROCEEDINGS
Carlsbad, New Mexico
May 5, 6, 1960

7:30 P.M. Thursday. Come to-gether with congregation singing. Prayer led by Rev. J. R. Wooten. Special song by Rev. & Sis. J. R. Wooten and Rev. & Sis. B. W. Hutchison Jr., "Riding The Range For Jesus."

Special song by Rev. & Ralph Jordan, "I'm Living By Faith." Congregation song, "That Glad Reunion Day."

Special song by Rev. & Sis. J. R. Wooten, "Prayer Bells Of Heaven."

Congregation song, "I'm In The Glory Land Way." Prayer by Rev. Ralph Jordan.

Special by Rev. & Sis. B. W. Hutchison, "Come Ye Apart."

Moderator, Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr. turned the service over to the pastor Rev. Dean Thompson, to bring the introductory message on communion and feet washing-- Scriptures: Luke 22: 1-21, St. John 13: 1-15, a portion from Gen. 18 and 19.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Owen Palmer.

Friday A.M. Come to-gether with congregation singing, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart." Led by Rev. J. R. Wooten and Sis. Judie Wooten at the piano. Another song, "Send The Light."

Prayer by Rev. Delbert Davis.

Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr. brought the Devotional from 1st. John 2: 1-15.

Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr., the moderator, read the by-laws.

The Artesia Church letter was read, motion made and

seconded that all church letters be read collectively, carried.

Letters read were Carlsbad, Roswell, El Paso, Bethel F. W. Baptist of Albuquerque, and First Church of Albuquerque, motion made and seconded that we accept all letters (with corrections) as read carried.

The delegates were seated and given the right hand of Christian Fellowship.

Rev. J. R. Wooten led in singing, "I Would Not Be Denied."

Motion made and seconded that the moderator be given power to appoint the committees, carried.

Pulpit Committee

Bro. Jean Smith
Sis. Dorothy Pinson
Bro. Thomas Ferguson

Sunday School

Sis. Judie Wooten
Sis. Bonnie Rutherford
Sis. Birdie Pinson

Obituary

Sis. Katie Pollack
Rev. G. E. Melton
Sis. Delbert Davis

Resolution

Rev. W. W. Winters
Bro. Owen Palmer
Rev. A. F. Pierce

Temperance Committee

Sis. Lena Smith
Rev. J. R. Wooten
Rev. Ralph Jordan

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Owen Palmer for 10 minutes recess.

11:00 A.M. Led in prayer by Rev. W. W. Winters.

Congregation singing, "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There." Sis. Ethel Jordan at the piano.

Nominations were made for Youth Camp Committee. Those nominated were, Sis. Esta Pierce, Sis. Birdie Pinson,

and Sis. Irene Wood. Motion made and seconded that nominations cease and elect by acclamation, carried.

Motion made and seconded that the Youth Camp committee elect its own chairman, carried.

Motion made and seconded that we retain our Auditing committees, carried.

Congregational singing, "Come Unto Me" and "I'll Live In Glory."

Special song, "Riding The Range For Jesus" by Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr. and Rev. J. R. Wooten and Sis. Judie Wooten.

Congregational song, "At Calveray."

Rev. J. R. Wooten brought his message from 1st Cor. 1: 21-27, Rev. 19: 19-21.

Rev. B. W. Hutchison brought his message from Matt. 4: 11-19, Acts 2: 38-39. His text was "Going Fishing." Both were wonderful messages.

Dismissed in an alter of prayer led by Rev. A. F. Pierce.

1:30 P.M. Moderator called the meeting to order with a word of prayer led by sis. Mae Davis.

Rev. J. R. Wooten led the congregation in singing, "I Love To Tell The Story," Sis. Ethel Jordan at the piano.

Request from the El Paso Church was read to issue their ministers, ministers cards. Motion made and seconded that we accept the request and issue Rev. Delbert Davis, Rev. J. R. Wooten and Rev. A. F. Pierce their minister cards, carried.

Pulpit Committee Report was given: Rev. G. E. Melton Jr., and Rev. W. W. Winters will bring the afternoon messages.

Sunday School Report: We the S. S. committee find our S. S. in good condition for the district, on roll 277, an average of 197. We recommend that each church strive to bring the average up to 100%. Mrs. J. R. Wooten, Mrs. Bonnie Rutherford, and Mrs. Birdie Pinson.

Motion carried to accept the report as read and dismissed the committees.

Obituary Report: We the obituary committee are sorry to report that Bro. John Moran of the Artesia Free Will Baptist Church was called Home in 1960. Sis. Katie Pollack, Rev. G. E. Melton, and Sis. Mae Davis.

Motion made and carried to accept the obituary report as read and dismissed the committee.

Credential Report: We recommend that Rev. Ralph Jordan be given an ordination certificate. Motion carried to accept the recommendation of the credential committee.

Youth Camp Committee Report: Given by Sis. Esta Pierce

Ministers reports were read: Rev. W. W. Winters, Rev. G. E. Melton Jr., Rev. J. R. Wooten, Rev. Tommy Sullivan, Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr., Rev. Ralph Jordan, Rev. Delbert Davis, Rev. A. F. Pierce and Rev. Dean Thompson.

Ministers reports accepted as read.

Temperance Report: We your temperance committee recommend that Free Will Baptist always refrain from the use or sale of alcholic beverages and other conformity to the world, and that we seek to discourage the use of such beverages and worldness everywhere. Sis. Lena Smith, Rev. Ralph Jordan, Rev. J. R. Wooten.

Motion carried to accept the report as read, and dismissed the committee.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. J. R. Wooten for a 10 minute recess.

Opened with prayer by Sis. Judie Wooten.

Auditing Committee Report: We your auditing committee have audited the books of the associational treasurer and find them in order. Rev. B. W. Hutchison, Rev. A. F. Pierce and Rev. W. W. Winters. Motion carried we accept the report as given.

Superannuation Report: We report we have \$139.57 in our Superannuation fund. Bro. Owen Palmer, Sis. Ola Mae Winters and Sis. Irene Wood.

Motion made and seconded we accept the report as read, carried.

Resolution Committee Report:

1. We your resolution committee present to this Association, that the ministers of this association, when they organize a church do it through the Association, and unite with the church at the time, as our treaties states that a pastor is expected to be a member in good standing in the Association.

Motion made and carried we put the last part as stated in our treaties, carried.

(added) No person is recognized as a member of minister of the Denomination who is not a member of some church in regular standing in the Denomination.

2. We resolve that all ministers submit their Ministerial report to the Association each year before they can receive their ministerial card.

Motion made and carried we accept this resolution as read. Committee, Rev. W. W. Winters, Bro. O. H. Palmer, Rev. A. F. Pierce.

New Business: Motion made and seconded we set a site for our Youth Camp for this year, carried.

Motion made and seconded that we adopt the Thunderbird

camp site, for this year, carried. Motion made and carried that we obtain the camp site for August 14-20.

Motion made and carried that if we cannot get the camp site for the above date, we obtain it for August 21-27. Motion made and carried if we cannot obtain the site for August 14-20 or August 21-27 that we accept the date for July 10-16.

Motion made and carried Sis. Judie Wooten be placed in charge of the kitchen for the Youth Camp.

Motion made and seconded each church report by the first of June to the committee on how many children will attend, carried.

Motion made and seconded when we find out the date of the Youth Camp that each church submit to Sis. Judie Wooten at 2400 Federal St., El Paso, Texas, the number going, carried.

Motion made and seconded that Sis. Sylvia Hutchison be appointed to obtain insurance for the children going to the Youth Camp, carried.

Treasurer Report given: Motion made and seconded we receive the report as read, carried.

Nominated for Executive Board: Rev. A. F. Pierce and Rev. J. R. Wooten. Motion made and carried nominations cease, and proceed to elect. Rev. A. F. Pierce as (3) year man.

Credentential Board: Nomination of Rev. G. E. Melton Jr., Rev. Delbert Davis, Rev. Tommy Sullivan, Rev. A. F. Pierce. Motion was made and seconded that nominations cease, carried. Rev. Delbert Davis elected as (3) year man.

Board of Trustees: Nomination of Rev. Ralph Jordan and Rev. G. E. Melton Jr. Motion made and carried that nominations cease. Rev. G. E. Melton Jr. elected

as (3) year man.

Superannuation Board: Nomination of Bro. O. H. Palmer, Rev. Ralph Jordan. Motion made and carried nominations cease. Rev. Ralph Jordan elected as (3) year man.

Christian Education: Nomination of Sis. Dean Thompson, Sis. Lena Smith. Motion made and carried nominations cease. Sis. Lena Smith elected as (3) year woman.

Mission Board: Nomination of Sis. Ethel Jordan and Sis. Esta Pierce. Motion made and carried nominations cease. Sis. Ethel Jordan elected for (3) years.

Moderator: Motion made and seconded we retain the moderator we have, Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr., carried.

Assistant Moderator: Nomination of Rev. Dean Thompson, Rev. Delbert Davis, Rev. G. E. Melton Jr. Motion made and carried. nominations cease and proceed to elect. Rev. Delbert Davis elected as Asst. Moderator.

Clerk. motion made and carried we retain our clerk. Sis. Marion Melton.

Assistant Clerk. motion made and carried we retain our Asst. Clerk., Sis. Ola Mae Winters.

Treasurer: Motion made and carried we retain our Associational treasurer, Bro. O. H. Palmer.

Motion made and carried we give the host church a standing vote of thanks for their hospitality.

An offering was taken for Home Mission, \$9.09. Bro. Jean Smith offered a prayer of thanks.

Song "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" by the congregation.

Next meeting place will be Artesia, New Mexico, August 4, 5.

Dismissed for 10 minutes by Rev. Delbert Davis.

Come to-gether with congregation singing, "Where The Soul Never Dies," led by Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr. Sis. Ethel Jordan at the piano.

Led in prayer by Sis. Irene Wood.

Rev. G. E. Melton Jr. brought his message from Psalms 55: 1-15. Prayer by Rev. Melton.

Rev. W. W. Winters took his text from John 4: 35. Both were wonderful sermons.

Electing of delegates to the National Association. Rev. A. F. Pierce, and Rev. B. W. Hutchison were elected.

Minutes were read: motion made and seconded we accept the minutes as read, with the correction, carried.

Motion made and carried we stand for a word of silent prayer for Bro. Moran.

Motion made and carried we be dismissed in prayer by Sis. Birdie Pinson.

Highlights of the Quarterlvs

The 10th quarterly meeting of the First New Mexico Association met with the First F. W. Baptist Church of Artesia, New Mexico, August 6, 7, 1959. Asst. moderator Rev. B. W. Hutchison called the meeting to order.

Letters from Albuquerque, Artesia, Carlsbad, El Paso, were read and accepted. A petitionary letter was read from the Faith Chapel F. W. B. Church of Carlsbad, New Mexico. Motion carried we accept the petitionary letter and appoint a committee to examine the church on its doctrine and discipline. Committee appointed Rev. Delbert Davis, Rev. A. F. Pierce and Rev. B. W. Hutchi-

son Jr.

Credential Board: Chairman Rev. W. W. Winters read the boards revised version concerning the amendment of Article 3 and section 2. Motion carried we accept the report. Motion made by Rev. Delbert Davis and seconded by Rev. Tommy Sullivan that we accept the revised version, carried.

AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE 111

Section 2

Any church desiring membership in this association shall be examined on its doctrine and will be expected to be found sound in its doctrine, complying with the National Association in all its branches of labor, for the promotion of God's work and also will be expected to be found sound in the Associational work. Showing a desire to promote our Demonational work, for the cause of Christ in all the different branches of our association which consists of churches, Sunday School, Prayer meeting, Vacation Bible School, Youth Encampment, Home Mission, Our Bible College, Women's Auxiliary's and Young folks meeting.

We therefore recommend that each church try to be present at each Quarterly meeting with their delegates.

We also recommend that each church pay 10% of its gross income as far as possible to the State Association for the promotion of God's work, which is used in our State and in the National work.

Motion made and carried we table the examining of Faith Chapel F. W. Baptist Church of Carlsbad, for membership in the Association until our next meeting of November 5, 6.

Rev. Delbert Davis was elected for the executive board in place of Rev. Nolen Robinson to finish out the (2) years.

Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr. was elected for the Credential board to serve out the (1) year of V. A. Thompson.

Motion carried. The ministers organized a ministers conference the first Thursday in November at 2 P.M. in Albuquerque.

Rev. W. W. Winters gave a report of the Grants work. Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr. gave a report on his newly organized church in Roswell. Rev. G. E. Melton gave a report on his work in Albuquerque. Rev. Delbert Davis gave a report on his mixed congregation near La Cruse.

Offering was taken of \$11.12 for Home Mission.

Asst. Clerk. Mrs. Ola Mae Winters

11th Quarterly Meeting

Nov. 5, 6, 1959

Met with the First F. W. Baptist Church, 6605 Leta Rd., N.E., Albuquerque, New Mexico. Host pastor called the meeting to-gether with preaching and special singing.

Nov. 6, 1959, 9:00 a.m.

Called to-gether by the oldest minister present. Rev. A. F. Pierce.

Letters were read from Albuquerque, Artesia, Carlsbad, El Paso, Texas, churches and accepted and delegates seated.

Petitionary letter from the Bethel F. W. Baptist church of Albuquerque was read and the church taken in the Association in full fellowship.

Rev. Dean Thompson was elected as 3rd man to serve out the remaining year of the resolution board.

Letter from the Faith Chapel F. W. Baptist Church was

read. Motion carried we accept the letter as read concerning the withdrawal of their petitionary letter.

Rev. B. W. Hutchison was elected as moderator and Rev. Tommy Sullivan as assistant moderator.

Sis. Marion Melton was elected as clerk and Sis. Ola Mae Winters as Asst. Clerk.

Rev. Dean Thompson was elected on the Credential board. Christian Education, Rev. G. E. Melton was elected. Youth Camp Committee, Sis. Sylvia Hutchison was elected. Youth Camp fees was voted to be \$7.50 per person. Rev. J. R. Wooten and Rev. Tommy Sullivan was elected as Youth Camp evangelists. Each church have one sponsor to each five children.

Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr. elected as Youth Camp counselor. Motion made and carried the clerks be empowered to print the minutes.

Offering of \$16.17 for Foreign Mission.

Asst. Clerk Mrs. Ola Mae Winters

12th Quarterly Meeting

Met at the First F. W. Baptist Church, El Paso, Texas, Feb. 4, 5, 1960. Called to-gether by the host pastor Rev. J. R. Wooten with preaching and special music.

Friday morning, 10:00 A.M. Rev. B. W. Hutchison called the meeting to order. Church letters were read by Sis. Ola Mae Winters, asst. clerk, Albuquerque, Artesia, Carlsbad, Bethel F. W. B., Roswell, El Paso, Texas. Letters read and the delegates seated, also Rev. H. W. Breeding and Sis. Bessie Yeley from the Nogales, Arizona mission welcomed.

Sis. Sylvia Hutchison asked to petition the association for a loan, if it become necessary for them to borrow

it, carried. We let them have the money and fixed up the papers as usual if they need the money.

Clerk gave the report on the minutes, the cost (\$44.20) Motion carried that the association pay for the minutes and they be distributed equally among the churches.

Offering taken for the mission in Nogales, Ariz., \$20.64.

Mrs. Marion Melton Associational Clerk

Woman's District Auxiliary Convention
of the
First New Mexico Association

The 4th annual convention met with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Carlsbad, New Mexico, May 5, 1960.

The president Sis. Sylvia Hutchison in charge of the executive meeting and Sis. Irene Wood vice-president alternating.

Discussing of the Dist. Aux. sponsoring a child of the Ariz. and New Mexico mission.

"Serve" was suggested as our next theme.

Dismissed in prayer by Sis. Ola Mae Winters.

"Hope" being our theme.

Devotional by Sis. Ola Mae Winters.

Welcome address. . . by Sis. Jaunita Thompson.

Response by Sis. Esta Pierce. Song service, "I Want To Know More About My Lord" and "Come Unto Me."

Special "I Traded" by Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Wooten.

First speaker Sis. Judie Wooten. Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr. bringing the convention message using his scriptures Rom. 4: 14, Gen. 17: 9-15.

Dismissed in prayer for lunch hour.

1:30 P.M. Come to-gether with congregation singing, led by Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr. and prayer by Rev. J. R. Wooten.

Special by Sis. Lena Smith and Nola Faye Collier, of Carlsbad, "I'll Meet You By The River."

Dist Clerk read the minutes of the executive meeting and morning service.

Letters from Artesia, Albuquerque, El Paso, Texas and Carlsbad were read. Motion made and carried we accept them as read.

Report from the treasurer. Dismissed for a few minutes. Song "Some Day" led by Sis. Ola Mae Winters

Officers elected.

President Sis. Ola Mae Winters

Vice President Sis. Sylvia Hutchison

Youth Camp Sis. Irene Wood

Study Course Sis. Judie Wooten

Personal Service Sis. Bonnie Rutherford

Program Prayer Sis. Mable Palmer

Recording Secretary Sis. Lena Smith

Corr. Secretary Sis. Adda Pierson

Treasurer Sis. Sylvia Hutchison

Stewardship Sis. Jaunita Thompson

Motion carried the host pastor's wife always give the welcome address.

On the program for August 1 speaker Sis. Esta Pierce. Motion carried, to have "Serve" as our theme for Aug. Devotional by Sis. Birdie Pinson.

Response by Sis. Dorthey Pinson.
Song Director Sis. Ola Mae Winters.
Convention message by Rev. J. R. Wooten.

Offering was taken \$3.43.

President Sis. Ola Mae Winters took the stand.
Rev. Delbert Davis gave the charge to the officers in
their various offices.

Motion carried we adopt a child in the Ariz. and New
Mexico mission school and pay the first month out of
the Dist. Treasurer, after which each local aux. can
take a special offering for that purpose. Voted to
started paying the first of June 1960 till June 1, 1961.
The treasurer is to send the \$8.00 monthly.

Albuquerque was presented an A-1 Certificate of Award
of Achievement for their Auxiliary work, by the Presi-
dent.

Minutes were read and accepted.

Dismissed in prayer by Sis. Jaunita Thompson.

Churches and Addresses

First Free Will Baptist, 6605 Leta Rd., N.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

First Free Will Baptist, 902 West Adams, St.
Artesia, New Mexico.

First Free Will Baptist, 2400 Federal
El Paso, Texas.

First Free Will Baptist, 602 E. Chisum St.
Roswell, New Mexico.

Bethel Free Will Baptist, Albuquerque, New Mexico

First Free Will Baptist, Lea - Walnut St.
Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Ordained Ministers & Addresses

- Rev. W. W. Winters, 103 Reese St., N.E., Albuquerque,
New Mexico.
Rev. G. E. Melton Jr., 1842 Tapia, S.W., Albuquerque,
New Mexico.
Rev. Earl H. Whitten, 4430 2nd., N.W., Albuquerque, New
Mexico
Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr., 507 S. Sequoia Ave., Roswell,
New Mexico.
Rev. Dean Thompson, 302 K., Carlsbad, New Mexico.
Rev. J. R. Wooten, 2400 Federal, El Paso, Texas.
Rev. A. F. Pierce, 5267 Tetons St., El Paso, Texas.
Rev. Delbert Davis, 302 La Mesa, New Mexico.
Rev. Ralph Jordan 709 W. Summit, Roswell, New Mexico.
Rev. Tommy Sullivan, 901 Adams, Artesia, New Mexico.
Rev. W. P. McDonald, 903 W. Main St., Artesia, New Mex.

Ordained Deacons

- Bro. O. H. Palmer, 308 K. St., Carlsbad, New Mexico.
Bro. Claude Rice, 407 Sopes St., Carlsbad, New Mexico.
Bro. Howard Gilchrest, 325 Bunea Vista, El Paso, Texas.
Bro. Norman Vandivort, 1400 N. Cotton, El Paso, Texas.

Deacons on Trial

- Bro. Duane Borden, 5228 Harmon, Biggs Air Force Base,
El Paso, Texas.

Delegates for Annual

- Albuquerque, Bro. Wade Ferguson, Sis. Billie Murphy,
Sis. Sara Anderson, Sis. Dell Scurlock, Bro. Mike
Ferguson.
Artesia, Irine Ellis, Sis. Dorthy Pinson, Sis. Birdie
Pinson, Sis. Adda Pierson, Sis. Nina Black.
Bethel F. W., Patsy Melton, Sis. Illa Knauss, Bro. Carrol
Green.
Carlsbad, Sis. Linda Smith, Sis. Nina Williams, Bro.
Norvin Palmer, Sis. Mable Palmer, Sis. Cleora
Hair.

El Paso, Texas, Sis. Ann Clegg and Sis. Esta Pierce.
Roswell, Bro. LeRoy Webb, Sis. Sidney Sorrell, Sis.
Alma Hatcher, Billy Tapp, and Sis. Zelma Crowe.

Executive

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| Rev. Delbert Davis | 1 year |
| Rev. W. W. Winters | 2 years |
| Rev. A. F. Pierce | 3 years |

Credentials

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| Rev. W. W. Winters | 1 year |
| Rev. Dean Thompson | 2 years |
| Rev. Delbert Davis | 3 years |

Board of Trustees

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|-----------------------|---------|
| Bro. Jack William | 1 year |
| Bro. O. H. Palmer | 2 years |
| Rev. G. E. Melton Jr. | 3 years |

Christian Education

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|--------------------------|---------|
| Sis. Irene Wood | 1 year |
| Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr. | 2 years |
| Sis. Lena Smith | 3 years |

Superannuation

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| Sis. Ola Mae Winters | 1 year |
| Sis. Irene Wood | 2 years |
| Rev. Ralph Jordan | 3 years |

Mission Board

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| Bro. Norman Vandivort | 1 year |
| Bro. Claude Rice | 2 years |
| Sis. Ethel Jordan | 3 years |

Standing Boards

Auditing

Rev. W. W. Winters

Rev. A. F. Pierce

Rev. B. W. Hutchison Jr.

Resolution

Rev. W. W. Winters

Bro. O. H. Palmer

Rev. A. F. Pierce

Youth Camp

Sis. Sylvia Hutchison

Sis. Esta Pierce

Sis. Irene Wood

First New Mexico Association's Budget

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|------------------------|----------|
| a. Christian Education | 25% |
| b. Loan Fund | 50% & 3% |
| c. Mission Fund | 10% |
| d. Superannuation | 5% |
| e. General Fund | 10% |

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL REPORT BY CHURCHES

| ROSWELL, N. M. | EL PASO, TEXAS | CARLSBAD, N. M. | BETHEL F. W. B., N. M. | ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. | ARTESIA, N. M. | Churches |
|----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------|------------------------|
| Good | Good | Good | Poor | Good | Good | State of Religion |
| 18 | 9 | 3 | None | 17 | 35 | Members received |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 8 | Baptized |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | None | 1 | Died |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 12 | 2 | Dismissed |
| 18 | 35 | 44 | 18 | 34 | 67 | Total Membership |
| Good | Good | Good | Poor | Fair | Good | Prayer Service |
| Good | Good | Good | Poor | Good | Good | Condition of S. S. |
| 30 | 35 | 29 | 17 | 34 | 47 | Avg. No. Pupils |
| 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | No. Teachers |
| 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | No. Of Officers |
| 0 | \$480.00 | \$752.52 | 0 | \$270.00 | \$765.00 | Paid Pastor |
| \$110.00 | \$128.00 | \$100.00 | 0 | \$ 50.00 | \$278.00 | Paid Evangelist |
| \$503.10 | 0 | \$2,351.15 | \$765.45 | \$1,257.27 | \$1,379.10 | Gross Income |
| \$ 54.20 | 0 | \$ 219.21 | \$ 55.58 | \$ 94.23 | \$ 137.91 | Cooperative Plan |
| \$705.00 | \$1,560.00 | \$ 990.49 | \$469.00 | \$ 743.92 | \$ 215.18 | Building, Repairs |
| \$ 46.60 | 0 | \$ 75.49 | \$ 60.60 | \$ 162.36 | \$ 83.90 | Education |
| 0 | \$3,000.00 | \$25,000 | 0 | \$5,000.00 | \$3,000.00 | Church Property Valued |

MINISTERS ANNUAL REPORT

| MINISTER | Churches Pastored | Sermons | Exhortations | S. S. Lecture | Members Recd. | Conversions | Baptized | Marriages | Funerals | Revivals | Money Recd., | Miles Traveled |
|-------------------|-------------------|---------|--------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|--------------|----------------|
| Delbert Davis | 0 | 25 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | \$225.00 | 2,000 |
| W. W. Winters | 1 | 96 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 12 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 270.00 | 5,000 |
| A. F. Pierce | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,500 |
| G. E. Melton Jr. | 1 | 98 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 109.00 | 6,000 |
| Tommy F. Sullivan | 1 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 60 | 25 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 400.00 | 2,000 |
| J. R. Wooten | 2 | 70 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 11 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 400.00 | ? |
| B. W. Hutchison | 2 | 110 | 6 | 4 | 30 | 25 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 170.00 | 12,000 |
| Dean Thompson | 1 | 98 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 792.00 | 2,000 |
| Ralph Jordan | 2 | 110 | 12 | 0 | 30 | 15 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 225.00 | 15,000 |

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ, and adopted the Work of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another 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, and 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 knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences; public worship; and the observance of the ordinance of the gospel, not fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor and 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 bond of peace, to be careful for one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able to promote the success 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 education and denominational enterprises, the support of Missions and 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 Testament were given by inspiration of God, and are 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 present Savior 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 proficence over all beings and all things by manifesting 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, inherit 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 in faith and obedience until death.

9. Election: God determined from the beginning to save 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 is 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 ordinances to be perpetrated under the Gospel; FEET WASHING, an ordinance teaching humility, Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23) and of universal obligation, and to be ministered to all true believers.

14. Tithing: God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament. 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." (cor. 16:2).

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 on the

last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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 a quorum is present.

4. Visiting brethren are invited to sit as advisory member.

5. Those who speak shall arise and address the moderator. Personal relections 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 on the separate parts.

7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded unless it is on a question previously tabled.

8. No one shall speak more than once on the same subject without special permission of the moderator.

9. The moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in a Christian spirit.

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

11. At each meeting of the association, arrangements shall be made to insure two or more sermons or their equivalent devotional exercises, each day.

CONSTITUTION
of the
FIRST NEW MEXICO ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTIST

-PREAMBLE-

From experience, we, the members of the Churches of God and Christ, commonly known as Free Will Baptist, realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us as a group which desires to support and promote every phase of our State and National Enterprises, do hereby ordain this Constitution for our progress and to perpetuate better Association government.

ARTICLE I

Name

This organization shall be known as the First New Mexico Association of Free Will Baptist of New Mexico.

ARTICLE II

Section 1: The purpose of this Association shall be to bring into a union such churches of New Mexico as desire the enterprises of the State of New Mexico and National Association.

Section 2: It shall not be the purpose of this Association to usurp authority over the churches, but to recommend such measures as would promote the unity of action among the churches, to harmonize the efforts of individual churches among each other in their efforts to accomplish good, and make each other move

proficient in their undertakings to advance the cause of Christ.

ARTICLE III

Membership

Section 1: This Association shall be composed of churches commonly known as Free Will Baptist, who maintain gospel order, and shall subscribe to the Constitution and By-Laws and Articles of Faith as adopted by this said Association.

Section 2: Any church desiring membership in this association shall be examined on its doctrine and will be expected to be found sound in its doctrine, complying with the National Association in all its branches of labor, for the promotion of God's work and also will be expected to be found sound in the Associational work. Showing a desire to promote our Demonational work, for the cause of Christ in all the different branches of our association which consist of churches, Sunday School, Prayer meeting, Vacation Bible School, Youth Encampment, Home Mission, Our Bible College, Woman's Auxiliary's and Young folks meeting.

Section 3: All duly constituted churches may be received into this association by their messengers presenting a petitionary letter from their respective churches, if they shall be found orderly and orthodox. Such reception shall be manifested by the moderator, or his assistant, giving the right hand as a token of fellowship.

ARTICLE IV

Representation

Section 1: Standing delegates to this association shall be ordained ministers, ministers' wives, ordained deacons, church clerk, and church treasurers who are members of churches in good standing in this association.

Section 2: In addition each church shall represent

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Section 4: Each church shall send a letter to the associational clerk at least ten days before the time set for the regular meeting of the association. These letters shall set forth the names of the delegates and alternates, and the names of ministers and deacons belonging to the church. These letters shall be written on the forms provided by this association.

ARTICLE V

Officers

The officers of this association shall consist of a moderator, and assistant moderator, a clerk, an assistant clerk, an a promotional secretary-treasurer.

They shall be elected annually at the close of the yearly meeting, and shall act as a program committee to plan the programs of all meetings of the association.

ARTICLE VI

Section 1: The standing boards of this association shall consist of three members each, having staggered terms, so that one member is elected each year at the close of the annual association.

These boards shall be as follows:

- a. The Executive Board.
- b. The Credential Board.
- c. The Board of Trustees.
- d. The Superannuation Board,
- e. The Christian Board.
- f. The Missions Board.

The association shall pay travel expenses of members on these boards when engaged on association bus-

iness; the amount of reimbursement shall be set by the association.

Section 2: The Executive Board shall act for the association when the association is not in session, and render a report to each sitting of the association for approval or rebuke.

Section 3: The Credential Board shall examine candidates for licensing or ordination, and shall pass on all ministers and deacons coming into this association. This board shall also review every minister and deacon belonging to this association every three years and report its findings to the association for action.

This association shall adopt a set of rules for this board, and a set of questions for examining candidates, and the clerk of the board shall keep a file of all persons examined.

Section 4: The Board of Trustees shall receive and assign all associational property as directed by the association.

Section 5: The Superannuation Board shall plan programs for the aged ministers of this association, and in cooperation with the State and National programs.

Section 6: The Christian Education Board shall oversee the Sunday School League, and other Christian Education programs of the Association, and shall cooperate with the State and National programs.

Section 7: The Missions Board shall be responsible for the extension of the Free Will Baptist work in New Mexico and, in cooperation with the State and National programs, "to the uttermost parts of the earth."

Section 8: Other Boards and Committees may be chosen as needed.

ARTICLE VII

Discipline

Section 1: This association shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine, or practice that may properly come before it from any of the churches; or act upon any appeal that may be made

at any of these meetings.

Section 2: All appeals coming before this association may be settled in any of the following ways: (a) By this association when sitting as a committee as a whole; (b) By a special committee whose report shall be voted on without discussion.

Section 3: No question shall be received by the association from any church unless it has been acted upon is said church, and cannot be settled, in which association shall take up same and act upon it.

ARTICLE VIII

Meetings

Section 1: This body shall meet quarterly, dates and places to be set by the association or its designated representatives.

Section 2: At each meeting of the association the body shall conduct all necessary business, receive reports, pass on credentials or persons who shall come before it, buy or sell property, and in general conduct any business which may come before it.

Section 3: The officers of this association shall be elected annually, but pro-tem officers may be elected at any sitting of the association in the absence of the regular officers. In the event any officers or board member moves out of the jurisdiction of this association he may be replaced at any sitting of the association for the unexpired term.

Section 4: Questions of deliberations shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, and parliamentary shall be appointed for each meeting of association.

ARTICLE IX

Amendments

This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of this association by a two-thirds majority of members voting.

