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The
First Oklahoma
Association
of
FREE WILL BAPTIST
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Proceedings of the 51st
Annual Session



CONVENED AT
Free Will Baptist
Camp Ground

at
SHAWNEE, OKLAHOMA

Minutes Of
The Fifty-First Annual Session

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August 25th, 1948

OFFICERS:

Rev. Dennis O'Donnell, Wolf Moderator
Rev. Vard Wood, Shawnee Asst. Moderator
Mrs. Floyd Cash, Shawnee Clerk
Mrs. Delbert Akins, Shawnee Asst. Clerk

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

Rev. A. B. Epperson, Tecumseh 1946-51
Rev. D. H. O'Donnell, Cromwell 1947-50
Rev. B. T. Kirby, Oklahoma City 1946-49
Rev. Vard Wood, Shawnee 1946-49
Brother H. W. O'Donnell, Oklahoma City 1948-53

Following a ten-day Camp Meeting conducted by Rev. Vard Wood and Rev. Melvin Bingham, the Fifty-First Annual Session of the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist met at the Associational Camp Ground at Shawnee,

Thursday morning's session opened by singing "Kneel at the Cross," led by Rev. D. H. O'Donnell, prayer by Rev. B. T. Kirby. Song, "I'll Make It My Home." The eighth chapter of Psalms was selected by Moderator for scripture lesson, prayer by Brother Bailey Thompson of Spring Hill.

Conference declared open for the regular session of business by Moderator Rev. M. Bingham. Letters called for churches reporting were, Wolf, Tecumseh, Spring Hill, New Bethlehem, Earlsboro, Pleasant Hill, Central Avenue, Oklahoma City, First Church, Oklahoma City, and Shawnee. Letters read and approved and delegates slated.

Nomination declared in order for Moderator. Rev. Dennis O'Donnell was elected Moderator, Rev. Vard Wood, Asst. Moderator, Mildred Cash, Clerk, and Dorothy Akin, Asst. Clerk.

The Moderator extended to visiting brother and sisters a welcome to sit with us in Conference, Rev. and Mrs. Clay Richie and Rev. C. E. Morris of Dibble Association, and Rev. A. Cross of Meridian, Miss.

Motion to adjourn until 1:30 o'clock. Dismissed by Reverend Cross.

Eleven o'Clock

Services opened by singing "In the Shadow of the Cross," led by Sister Easterwood of Oklahoma City; prayer by Rev. W. A. Land. Moderator then introduced Rev. Melvin Bingham, bringing us the introductory message, using First Thessalonians 5:12 for a text and for a subject, "Letting the Spirit Have Its Way." After a very inspirational and instructive message, dismissed in prayer by Rev. Charles Iapp.

Thursday afternoon's session opened by singing, "Won't It Be Wonderful There" led by Brother Kiker of Wolf church; scripture lesson II Tim. 1:9 through the entire chapter by Rev. E. E. Morris. Prayer by Rev. S. R. Russell.

The Committee on Divine Service, that Rev. A. Cross of Meridian, Miss., will bring the evening message. Report of Executive Board read and accepted.

President of Women's Auxiliary reports we have \$100 for the Camp Ground indebtedness. Nomination in order for a new board member, Brother H. W. O'Donnell of Oklahoma City, being elected.

Sister Verden Bingham of Oklahoma City, was elected by acclamation as Delegate to the National Association. Motion made that we send \$5.00 for our delegate to National Association was carried. Motion was made that the Modera-

tor appoint the delegates and alternates to the State Association. They are as follows: Sister Easterwood of First Church, Oklahoma City; Sister Clyde Argo of Pleasant Hill, Sister Walters, Shawnee, Sister Henry O'Donnell, Central Avenue; Alternates, Sister H. E. Stevenson, Earlsboro; Sister Villines, Wolf; Sister Helen Ladd, Tecumseh; Brother Earl Allen, Pleasant Hill, and Brother Lynn, Shawnee.

Evangelists for Camp Meeting were elected: Rev. Wade Jernigan and Rev. Dennis O'Donnell.

Standing vote of thanks was given the out-going officers.

Nominations were in order for the speaker for the introductory message for our next yearly Conference: Rev. Clyde Argo and alternate, Rev. B. T. Kirby were selected.

First Quarterly Conference to be held at Pleasant Hill November 18-19, 1948.

Second at Wolf, February, 18-19, 1949.

Third at Spring Hill May 12-13, 1949.

Nominations in order for speaker for First Quarterly Conference. Rev. Vard Wood elected, with Rev. A. Cross, alternate.

Committees:

Divine Service: Brother Blair, Spring Hill; Sister Stevenson, Earlsboro; Sister Lane, Shawnee; Sister Easterwood, Oklahoma City, and Sister Guinn, Shawnee.

Credential: Rev. B. C. Munkus, Pleasant Hill; Rev. W. A. Land, Shawnee; Rev. Easterwood, First Church, Oklahoma City; Rev. Clyde Argo, Pleasant Hill, and Rev. A. B. Epperson, Tecumseh.

Obituary: Sister Epperson, Tecumseh; Sister Clyde Argo, Pleasant Hill; Sister Walters, Shawnee; Brother Winfrey, Wolf, and Sister Bingham, Oklahoma City.

Resolutions: Rev. B. T. Kirby, Rev. Melvin Bingham; Brother Bailey Thompson, Rev. E. Guinn and Rev. S. R. Russell.

Finance: Sister Courtney Stevens, Louise Allen, Sister B. T. Kirby, Sister Vard Ward, and Sister Henry O'Donnell.

League: Brother J. V. Blair, Sister Juanita Williams, Sister Francis Davis, Brother Tolson and Sister Nettie Barnett.

Prayer Meeting: Sister Engle, Sister Warden, Sister Hannah, Brother Ellis Hurst and Brother Villines.

Sunday School: Sister Helen Ladd, Brother Clay Bowlan, Brother C. Argo, and Brother Earl Stevenson.

Committee Report:

Resolution (I) We recommend that there be one general treasurer known as Clerk and Treasurer, and that said funds from all sources be turned to general treasurer and each fund be used as ear-marked. Same carried.

(II) As a protection to our property, we suggest that we

see the City of Shawnee about street lights on each corner of our property that joins Pennsylvania street so that the lights would light the ground.

(III) Be it resolved that the Youth Conference and Camp meeting convene Monday, before the third Sunday in August, and close Saturday night following.

(IV) Be it resolved that First Oklahoma Association send \$15.00 for the general fund to Oklahoma state treasurer.

Obituary: Reports the following members have passed away: Brother J. D. Bishop of Pleasant Hill; Robelene Masters of New Bethlehem, and Sister Ida Layton of First Church, Oklahoma City. A moment of silent prayer concluded by Moderator in memory of our deceased brother and sisters.

League: (I) We recommend the League Board serve as a planning committee and plan complete activities concerning Youth Camp.

(II) Recommended that fire extinguishers be installed in each dormitory.

Prayer Meeting: We recommend that each church have prayer meeting and be in earnest at heart and attend each meeting, for we think prayer meeting is the strength of our churches.

Report of Executive Board read and accepted.

Sunday School: We, your Sunday School Committee, recommend that our Sunday Schools use Free Will Baptist literature and teachers of Free Will Baptist faith and strive to attain a standard Sunday School.

Credential: (I) We, the Credential Committee, recommend that this body will accept in the Association, Rev. A. Cross, the same as all other members holding credentials in other denominations as provided in our articles of faith.

(II) We recommended Brother Earl Allen be ordained as deacon in Pleasant Hill Church.

(III) We recommend that Brother Walter Jennings be re-licensed to preach the Gospel for one year from First Church, Oklahoma City.

(IV) We recommend that Brother Baily Thompson be licensed to preach the gospel for one year, from Spring Hill.

A very interesting talk by Rev. E. E. Morris on our work in California.

Motion made that Executive Board be empowered to return the deed to property given us by Rev. Dearmore to his widow, Mrs. Dearmore taking proper steps to return same. Motion made by Rev. Melvin Bingham, sustained by Rev. B. C. Munkus. Carried.

Motion made to pay Rev. Vard Wood and Brother R. L. Hollis \$30.00 for painting.

Motion made that each Church send free will offering to the general conference fund.

Right hand of fellowship extended to Rev. A. Cross as he united with our movement.

Minutes read and approved.

Auxiliary report read and accepted.

League report read and accepted.

Motion made that the Executive Board and Clerk accept the auditing of books.

Motion to pay Clerk \$10.00 and Moderator \$5.00. Carried.

Motion to adjourn until 1949.

Dismissed by Rev. E. E. Morris.

CHURCH LETTERS

PLEASANT HILL: State of religion, good; members received, 15; deceased, 1; Sunday School, good; number of officers, 10; League, good; paid pastor \$180.00; Evangelist, \$75.00; building and repairs, \$169.53. Rev. S. R. Russell, pastor; Billie Hurst, clerk.

CENTRAL AVENUE, Oklahoma City: State of religion, good; members received, 34; baptized, 12; dismissed by letter, 3; total membership, approximately 180; prayer meeting, good; Sunday School, good average; number of pupils, 91; officers, 6; teachers, 8; paid pastor, \$3,120.00; evangelist, \$110.00; janitor, \$520.00; orphanage, \$180; camp ground, \$215; Bible College, \$127.83; foreign missions, \$43.85; building and repair, \$405.91; publications, \$119.91; flowers, \$65.71; new building fund, \$930.00; Rev. Melvin Bingham, pastor; Carl Spriggs, clerk.

EARLSBORO: State of religion, fair; no deaths; no dismissals; no members received; total membership, 40; Sunday School, fair; average number of pupils, 30; officers, 5; teachers, 4; local pastor, \$460.00; building and repairs, \$143.09; education, \$10.00; publication, \$35.37; orphanage, \$32.38.

TECUMSEH: State of religion, good; members received, 6; dismissed, 3; deceased, 2; total membership, 66; prayer meeting, good; Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 35; paid pastor 600.00; evangelists, \$30.00; building and repair, \$47.07; orphanage, \$36.09; miscellaneous, \$195.01; Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, pastor; Vivian Davis, clerk.

FIRST CHURCH, Oklahoma City: State of religion, good; members received, 37; baptized, 5; dismissed, 4; deceased, 1; total membership, 272; prayer meeting, good; Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 167; officers, 10; teachers, 17; for building and repair, \$2000.00; education, \$78.50; publication, \$93.75; Rev. B. T. Kirby, pastor; R. S. Kirby, clerk.

SPRING HILL: State of religion, good; members received, 7; dismissed, none; by letter, 2; baptized, none; resident members, 67; non-resident, 158; prayer meeting, good; Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 70; number of teachers, ten; officers, 7; paid pastor, \$475.00; evangelist,

\$219.26; foreign missions, \$59.55; incidentals, \$39.21; repairs, \$183.63; Bible College, \$45.78; orphanage, \$24.01; publication, \$65.82; building fund, \$825.89; Rev. Wade Jernigan, pastor; Trula Thompson, clerk.

SHAWNEE: State of religion, good; Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 65; officers, 4; teachers, 7; paid pastor, \$2080.00; evangelist, \$170.00; missions, \$245.25; foreign, \$123.31; building and repair, \$628.99; education, \$125.64; publication, \$79.90; Rev. Vard Wood, pastor; Cecil Stephens, clerk.

WOLF: State of religion, good; prayer meeting, good; Sunday School, good; average attendance, 36; members received, 23; baptized, 14; deceased, 1; paid pastor, \$820.00; evangelist, \$100.55; visiting ministers, \$65.77; camp ground fund, \$100.00; orphanage, \$38.77; Rev. D. H. O'Donnell, pastor; Mrs. Bill Gilliland, clerk.

NEW BETHLEHEM: State of religion, good; dismissed, 1; deceased, 1; total membership, 18; Sunday School, good; average number of pupils, 18; teachers, 3; paid pastor, \$85.00; evangelist, \$22.75; foreign mission, \$4.00; building and repairs, \$4.00; education, \$5.00; publication, \$10.00; Rev. Earl Guinn, pastor.

MINISTERS' REPORT:

REV. W. L. JERNIGAN: Miles traveled, \$9,446; sermons preached, 159; money received, \$1177.35; conversions, 39; baptized, 15; churches organized, 1; revivals, 11.

REV. V. WOOD: Pastored Shawnee Church; held 5 revivals; 9 funerals; couples married, 9; money received, \$2,345.33.

REV. W. A. LAND: 40 sermons, received, \$20.00; travelled 200 miles; no funerals or marriages.

REV. S. R. RUSSELL: Pastored 1 church; preached 125 sermons; travelled 3000 miles; received \$225.00; conversions, 23; baptized, 13; funerals, 3; couples married, 1.

REV. CLYDE ARGO: Sermons preached, 30; assisted in 1 revival; conversions, 18; funerals, 4; couples married, 4; received, \$23.00.

REV. MELVIN BINGHAM: Sermons preached, 114; conversions, 44; members received, 34; baptized, 13; funerals, 2; couples married, 3; salary from church, \$3120.00; evangelistic, \$100.00.

REV. A. B. EPPERSON: My fifth year as pastor had the most spiritual year; received \$600.00 salary; am called to Earlsboro for the year. I covet your prayers.

REV. D. H. O'DONNELL: Sermons preached, 104; no revivals; baptized, 24; members received, 23; conversions, 4; funerals, 2; money received as pastor, \$820.00.

MINISTER'S ROLL:

A. B. Epperson, Tecumseh.
 Mattie Epperson, Tecumseh.
 Steve Willis, Tecumseh.
 W. A. Land, McLoud, Okla.
 James P. Fry, Asher, Okla.
 B. C. Munkus, Norman, Okla.
 Clyde Argo, Moore, Okla.
 Charles Sapp, Shawnee, Okla.
 Melvin Bingham, Oklahoma City.
 Henry Easterwood, Oklahoma City.
 B. T. Kirby, Oklahoma City.
 Walter Jennings, Oklahoma City.
 Warren Barnette, Oklahoma City.
 L. W. Molden, Noble, Okla.
 Frank Hagar, Noble, Okla.
 J. M. Owens, Lexington, Okla.
 W. L. Jernigan, Lexington, Okla.
 Bailey Thompson, Lexington, Okla. (licensed)
 Perry Argo, Norman, Okla. (licensed)
 Joe Hurst, Norman, Okla. (licensed)
 W. O. Maugham, Oklahoma City.
 James P. Fry, Asher, Okla.
 George Taylor, Snomac, Okla.
 Burl True, Midwest City, Okla.
 Dennis H. O'Donnell, Cromwell, Okla.
 W. S. Mooneyham, Shawnee, Okla.
 Earl Guinn, Shawnee, Okla.
 V. W. Wood, Shawnee, Okla.

DEACONS

Clay Boland, Shawnee.
 R. Lane, Shawnee.
 Irvin Tate, Shawnee
 H. U. Lynn, Shawnee.
 J. D. Anderson, Lexington, Okla.
 B. C. Wilson, Lexington.
 Tom Fry, Lexington.
 Ual Vanwinkle, Lexington.
 Jim Garette, Lexington, Okla.
 Earl Allen, Norman, Okla.
 C. F. White, Maud, Okla.
 Robert L. Kiker, Maud.
 Douglas Villines.
 Cecil Siler, Snomac, Okla.
 Marvin Dixson, Oklahoma City.
 Jack Johnson, Oklahoma City.
 Tom Blackburn, Oklahoma City.
 Will Yeager, Shawnee, Okla.
 C. O. Lemmon, Tecumseh, Okla.

Ben Littleton, Tecumseh, Okla.
 B. F. Maxwell, Tecumseh.
 B. F. Maxwell, Tecumseh.
 B. Cluck, Tecumseh.
 H. E. Stevenson, Earlsboro, Okla.
 C. U. Argo, Norman, Okla.

CLERK'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on hand, Sept. 23, 1947	\$205.06
Paid Shawnee American for Minutes	63.25
	141.81
March 27, to W. S. Mooneyham, Clerk of State Assn. for Rev. Yandell's expense to National Ministers' Conference	8.00
	139.81
Aug. 26—Rev. V. W. Wood, evangelist	50.00
Aug. 26—Rev. Melvan Bingham for evangelist	50.00
	39.81
Paid Rev. Vard Wood for evangelist	15.00
Paid R. L. Hollis, labor on Camp Ground	15.00
	9.81
Paid Rev. D. H. O'Donnell (Moderator)	5.00
	\$4.81
Deposited Aug. 28, 1948	281.18
TOTAL	285.99
Paid Mildred Cash (for Clerk)	10.00
	275.99
Deposited August 31	105.00
	380.99
Paid Sept. 12, S. W. Wood, Camp Ground Debt	150.00
Bal. on hand Sept. 12	230.99

MINUTES OF WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

First Oklahoma Association

The Fifth Annual Session of The Women's Auxiliary of First Oklahoma Association met August 25, 1948, at Camp Ground in Shawnee, opened by singing "Where He Leads I'll Follow," and "There Is a Fountain" led by Sister Vorden Bingham. Sister Bingham took charge in place of Sister Cash. The theme of the program, "Giving Christ Prominence: Col. 1:18. Sister Bingham's talk was on Watchword.

Scripture lesson, Col. 1:15-19 by Sister Wood, prayer by Rev. Vard Wood. Welcome by Sister Daisy Pierce, response by Sister Gladys Elliston. Special song by Sister Vard Wood and Wanda Sanger, Sister Ethel Smoot at the piano. President declared business in order. Letters called for. Shawnee and Central Avenue reporting. Motion carried all ladies present have a voice. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Motion made to adjourn for 11 o'clock services. Dismissed by Sister Roy.

At the 11 o'clock service, Brother W. A. Land brought an inspiring message on prayer, from 1st Peter, 3rd chapter. Benediction by Sister Gladys Elliston.

Afternoon session opened by singing "There'll Be Singing" and "Stand Up For Jesus." Scripture, Psalm 91, by Sister Haas.

Report of officers were given as follows: 1st Vice President, Sister Verden Bingham, 2nd vice, Sister B. Haas, 3rd vice, Mrs. Daisy Pierce, fourth, Beulah Kinnamon, fifth, Sister Barnett. Treasurer's report, Gladys Elliston. Motion carried that we accept treasurer's report as financial committee reported all books balanced.

Resolution committee (1) Resolve dwe give Rev. Land \$5.00 for his services.

(2) That we give \$100.00 to the indebtedness of the camp ground.

(3) Inasmuch as the First Oklahoma District failed to send their tithes to the state convention last year, we resolve to send \$10.00 along with our dues this year for this Association.

(4) That we send \$10.00 to foreign missions and \$10.00 to Bible College.

The Resolutions Committee was as follows: Sisters Ethel Smoot, Henry O'Donnell, Wanda Songster and Lena Wood.

Finance Committee: Sisters Beulah Kinnamon, Nettie Barnette, Mary Lahe and Sister Roy.

Nominating Committee: Sisters Gladys Ellison, Daisy Pierce, Lee Guin and Sister Foust. They recommended the following officers:

President, Sister Verden Bingham.

1st Vice President, Beulah Kinnamon.

2nd Vice President, Laverda Mooneyham.

3rd Vice President, Daisy Pierce.

4th Vice President, Trula Thompson.

5th Vice President, Nettie Barnette.

Secretary-Treasurer, Beatrice Haas.

Motion to elect by acclamation, carried.

Delegates to state convention, Sisters Nettie Barnette, Mildred Cash and Laverda Mooneyham.

Motion to give a standing vote of thanks to out-going

officers. Received \$5.02 offering. Motion to adjourn.
 Verdun Bingham, President.
 Beatrice Haas, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Woman's Auxiliary Treasurer's Report

(From August, 1947, to August, 1948)

Balance turned to me by Mrs. Kinnamon	\$ 54.17
Tithes turned in	21.52
For Kitchen Equipment for Camp Ground	106.75
For F. W. B. Orphanage	13.00
For F. W. B. Superannuation	17.50
For F. W. B. Bible College	12.50
For F. W. B. Co-labor Band (from Central Ave.)	30.00
For Literature for Auxiliary (from Central Ave.)	9.10
For Foreign Missions	
Check from Mr. Kinnamon on the account	22.20
For Standard	.10
Received from Food Sale at St. League Rally	136.20
GRAND TOTAL	430.64
Balance Brought Forward	54.17
Amount Received in the Year	376.47

Paid Out Thru First Oklahoma Association

Oklahoma Association Auxiliary Treasurer

(Year—1947—'48)

Dues	\$10.60
Minutes	5.00
F. W. B. B. College	12.50
Superannuation	31.60
F. W. B. Orphanage	15.50
Co-Labor Band	30.00
Foreign Missions	10.10
Silverware for Bible College	6.25
F. W. B. National Hq.	10.00
Flowers for sick	2.50
Camp Ground Equipment, Supplies, Food	100.93
Total Amount Paid Out	\$244.08
Amount Received in Year	\$244.08
Now in Treasury	\$186.56
Deposited in Bank	\$181.56
Cash	5.00
Now in Treasury	\$186.56

MINUTES OF YEARLY BUSINESS MEETING

AUGUST 21, 1948

Minutes of the Leaguers of the First Oklahoma Associa-

tion when convened at our Camp Grounds, Shawnee, Oklahoma, August 21, 1948.

Opened by singing "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus." Led in prayer by Rev. Warren Barnett.

Annual minutes read and accepted.

Minutes of the last rally read and accepted.

A motion and second that we not award a yearly attendance banner this year. (Carried).

Treasurer's report read and accepted.

Letters from the various Leagues called for:

Pleasant Hill, average attendance	35
Spring Hill, average attendance	16
Shawnee, average attendance	14
Tecumseh, average attendance	15
Wolf, average attendance	25
Central Avenue, average attendance	22
First Church, average attendance	16
Total tithes received	\$8.67

Election of our officers for the coming year are as follows:

Sponsor, E. C. Ketchem.

President, Curley Ray.

Vice President, Delbert Akin.

Recording Secretary, Mary Belle Smith.

Corresponding Secretary, Willie Marie George.

Treasurer, Perry Argo.

Chorister, Carl Spriggs.

Pianist, Retha Kiker.

Election of our League Board by acclamation as follows:

Rev. Dennis O'Donnell, Chairman.

Rev. Wade Jernigan.

Rev. B. C. Monkus.

Rev. W. S. Mooneysam, Secretary.

Rev. Clyde Argo.

Our Dormitory Sponsors are as follows:

Girls—Mrs. E. C. Ketchem, Mrs. Trula Thompson.

Boys—Rev. Vard Wood, Rev. Clyde Argo.

A motion and second that we give the President power to appoint an Auditing committee. Carried. Appointed were:

Jewell Barnett, Mary Lou Wood, Mrs. E. C. Ketchem.

A motion and second that we give the President power to appoint a Business committee. Carried. Appointed were:

Rev. Warren Barnett, Mary Lou Rollins, Dorothy Akin, Nickie Poarch, and Rev. Clyde Argo.

Rev. Bailey Thompson was elected to bring our Introductory Message at our Yearly Business Meeting in 1949.

Rev. Wade Jernigan was elected by acclamation as alternate to bring the Introductory Message at our Yearly Meeting in 1949.

Mary Belle Smith was elected as delegate to represent

the First Oklahoma Association at our State Association, October, 1948, at Ada, Okla.

A motion and second that we adjourn until 1:30 p. m. Carried.

Dismissed by prayer by Brother Clyde Argo.

11:00 Service

Opening song, "I'll Live in Glory." Another song, "I Love My Savior."

Led in prayer by Brother Clifford Davis.

Rev. Dennis O'Donnell brought a very inspiring message. His theme was "Why Should I Cling to An Old Fashioned Christ." He chose Hebrews 13:18.

Dismissed by prayer by Brother Orval Ray.

Lunch—1:00 o'clock Service

Opening Song, "I'm Not Ashamed."

Prayer by Rev. Ed Morris.

Another song, "Just a Little While."

A talk given by W. W. Hunt about our orphanage.

Report of the business committee as follows:

(I) We, the business committee recommend that we have three league rallies in the next year and that they occur on the following dates: Oct. 31, 1948; Jan. 30, 1949; and May 29, 1949. Tecumseh has requested the rally occurring on Oct. 31, 1948. Central Avenue the one on Jan. 30, 1949, and Spring Hill has requested the one May 29, 1949. We recommend that these requests be granted.

A motion and second to accept the recommendation. Carried.

(II) We, the business committee recommend that we give the old officers and sponsors a rising vote of thanks.

A motion and second to accept the recommendation. Carried unanimously.

A motion and second to accept the report of the Auditing committee and dismiss same. Carried.

A motion and second to give a standing vote of thanks to Rev. Melvin Bingham and Rev. Vard Wood, our evangelists. Carried unanimously.

A motion and second to dismiss the Business committee. Carried.

Rev. Wade Jernigan was elected to bring the Introductory Message at our next rally at Tecumseh, Oct. 31, 1948.

Rev. Charles Sapp was elected by acclamation; alternate.

A motion and second that we adjourn. Carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Mrs. E. C. Ketchum.

Curley Ray, President.

Mary Belle Smith, Secretary.

NAME, ADDRESS OF LEAGUE BOARD AND OFFICERS

League Board:
Rev. Dennis O'Donnell, Chairman, Gen. Del. Cromwell, Okla.
Rev. Wade Jernigan, R-1, Lexington, Okla. c-o C. T. Blair.
Rev. B. C. Munkus, Tel. 9794J4, R-3, Box 105, Norman, Okla.
Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, Secy., 406 N. Center, Shawnee, Okla.
Rev. Clyde Argo, Tel. 9794W4 (after 5:00 p.m.) R-2, Moore,

Sponsor:
Sponsor, E. C. Ketchum, 1342 E. Whittaker, Shawnee, Okla.
President, Norman "Curley" Ray, 741 S.W. 45th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.
Vice-President, Delbert Akin, 238 S. Oklahoma, Shawnee, Okla.
Recording Secretary, Mary Belle Smith, 426 N.W. 2nd St., Oklahoma City, Okla.
Corresponding Secretary, Willie Marie George, R-1, Asher, Oklahoma.

Treasurer, Perry Argo, R-3, Norman, Okla.
Chorister, Carl Spriggs, 3824 N.W. 26th St., Oklahoma City.
Pianist, Retha Kiker, R-2, Maud, Okla.

1. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the infallible Word of God, and the only safe rule of faith and practice. 2 Tim. 3:16-17; 2 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; 1 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. Ph. 5:1-19.

4. That Salvation, Regeneration, Sanctification, Justification and Redemption are by the Life, Death, Resurrection, Ascension and Intercession of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Acts 4:12; Titus 3:5.

5. That he that shall endure to the end, the same shall be saved. Matt. 24:13; Rev. 2:10.

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

7. That Baptism and the Lord's Supper, and the washing of the saints' feet are the ordinances of Jesus Christ, appointed in the church, and none but true believers are proper subjects, and the only proper mode of baptism is immersion. Mark 1:4-9-10; Luke 23:30; John 13:14.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

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 the 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 of the

just and the unjust, but every one in his own order; those who have been 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 Thess. 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 the grace of God tasted death for every man; yet none can partake of His divine benefit only by his repentance towards God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, infants and idiots excepted. Acts 20:21; Tim. 2:5-6; John 3:14-16; I Cor. 15:20-22; Romans 5:15.

12. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is the door into the church, that baptism is a duty in answer to a good conscience. John 10:7; I Peter 3:21.

FREE WILL BAPTIST 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 the 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 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.

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 forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gos-

pel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

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 souls, and the conversion of the world. And may the God of Peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. House called to order by the Moderator.
3. Letters called for, read and received.
4. High hand of fellowship and seating delegates.
5. Election of Officers.
6. Petitionary letters called for.
7. Reading Rules of Order.
8. Invite visiting brethren to seats in council.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. Unfinished Business.
11. New Business.
12. Reports of Committees.
12. Miscellaneous Business.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR AUXILIARY

1. President in charge.
2. Song or songs.
3. Prayer.
4. Leader read Scripture, have prayer and turn the meeting back to the president.
5. Reading minutes of the previous meeting.
6. Treasurer's Report.
7. Unfinished Business.
8. Reports of Committees.
9. New Business.
10. Report of sick and needy.
11. Suggestions for good of the Mission.
12. Song and offering.

