

Minutes
of the
First Oklahoma Association
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
1961

●
PROCEEDINGS OF THE
64th ANNUAL SESSION

●
Convened At
FREE WILL BAPTIST CAMP GROUND
9 Miles West Of Tecumseh
(On Highway 9)

MINUTES
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FIRST OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION
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MODERATOR

Rev. Lonnie DaVoult 2713 S.W. 33rd., Oklahoma City, Okla.

ASSISTANT MODERATOR

Rev. Ralph Hampton 1111 E. 11th., Shawnee, Okla.

CLERK

Mrs. George Haas 516 N. Elm, Shawnee, Okla.

ASSISTANT CLERK

Mrs. Ed Warner 1416 S. Lenora, Oklahoma City, Okla.

EXECUTIVE TREASURER

Rev. James Cearley 4625 N.W. 36th., Oklahoma City 22, Okla.

First Quarterly Meeting November 17-18, 1961
 Auxiliary Meeting November 17 at Shawnee First Church
Second Quarterly Meeting February 16-17, 1962
 Auxiliary Meeting February 16 at Norman First Church
Third Quarterly Meeting May 18-19, 1962
 Auxiliary Meeting May 18 at Seminole Church
Annual Association Meeting August 16, 17, 18, 1962

Annual Auxiliary Meeting August 16, 1962, at Capitol Hill Church
Youth Encampment Date August 6-10, 1962
Registration August 5, 1962
 Evangelist Rev. Albert Collier

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Ralph Hampton, 1111 E. 11th., Shawnee, Okla. 1961-66
L. A. Yandell, 1815 S. Central Ave., Okla. City, (ch'mn) 1960-65
Dennis O'Donnell, 1420 S. Okfuskee, Wewoka, Okla. 1959-64
Jim Cearley, 4625 N.2. 36th., Okla. City 22, Okla. (clerk) 1958-63
Lawton Hurst, Rt. 3, Norman, Okla. 1957-62

PLANNING BOARD

Charley Furgerson, 1620 S.W. 52nd., Okla. City, Okla... 1961-66
Floyd Cash, 536 N. Douglas, Shawnee, Okla. 1960-65
H. L. Parker, Norman, Okla., R. R. (chairman) 1959-64
John Williams, Box 2, 111 1st. Street, Tecumseh, Okla.. 1958-63
Luther Scott, Lexington, Okla. 1958-62

CREDENTIAL BOARD

Gerald Mangham 628 S. E. 22nd., Okla. City, Okla. 1961-64
Jim Cearley, 4625 N.W. 36th, Okla. City 22, Okla. 1960-63
(chairman)
L. A. Yandell, 1815 S. Central Ave., Okla. City, Okla.. 1959-62.

LEAGUE BOARD

Berton Perry, Rt. 3, Box 31B, Shawnee, Okla. 1961-66
Bob Followwill, Norman, Okla. 1960-65
Floyd Vulgamore, Rt. 1, Box 841, Seminole, Okla. 1959-64
Albert Collier, 4220 S.E. 41st., Okla. City, Okla. 1958-63
Clyde Argo, Rt. 1, Moore, Okla. 1957-62

MISSION BOARD

Albert Collier, 4220 S.E. 41st., Okla. City, Okla. 1961-66
Wade Jernigan, 321 Mosier, Norman, Okla. (chairman)... 1960-65
Dennis O'Donnell, 1240 S. Okfuskee, Wewoka, Okla. 1959-64
John S. Williams, Box 2, 111 1st., Tecumseh, Okla. 1959-63
Carl Sharp, 108 S. Ragline, Tecumseh, Okla. 1959-62

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMISSION

Kenneth Elledge, 3300 Brookside Dr., Midwest City, Okla...1961-66
Berton Perry, Rt. 3, Box 31B, Shawnee, Okla. (clerk)1960-65
Ed Warner, 1416 S. Lenora, Okla. City, Okla. (chairman) ..1959-64
L. A. Yandell, 1904 S. Central Ave., Okla. City, Okla. ... 1959-63
Jack Cravens, Rt. 2, Lexington, Okla. 1959-62

STATE GENERAL BOARD MEMBER

Rev. L. A. Yandell, 1904 S. Central Ave., Okla. City, Okla.

STATE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Rev. E. M. Kennedy, 4801 S. Walker, Okla. City, Okla.

LEAGUE OFFICERS

President Forrest Maynard
Vice-President James Maynard
Corresponding Secretary Veta Maynard
Secretary Coeta Madden
Pianist Jackie Warner
General Sponsors Rev. and Mrs. Wade Jernigan
Camp Ground Director Rev. Barney Mangham
Assistant Camp Ground Director Rev. Jack Cravens
Music Director Bob Followwill
Evangelist Albert Collier

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President Edna DaVoult, 2713 S.W. 33, Okla. City
Vice-President Mildred Cash, 536 N. Douglas, Shawnee
Program Prayer Lucille Stark, 1407 S. Penn., Okla. City
Youth Chairman.... Joy Yandell, 1904 S. Central Ave., Okla. City
Recording Secretary Veta Choate, Gen. Delivery, Seminole
Treasurer Mrs. George Haas, 516 N. Elm, Shawnee
Corresponding Secretary..Doris Hall, 2121 S.W. 77th Pl. Okla. City
Study Course Melba Spears, 3121 S.E. 21, Okla. City
Pianist Cora Bruce, Rt. 1, Box 238, Seminole
Song Leader Florence Howard, 5319 S. McKinley, Okla. City
Personal Service ... Mrs. Ralph Hampton, 1111 E. 11th, Shawnee

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Albert Collier Ed Warner Marvin Hawkins Lawton Hurst

Ex-Officio Members

Moderator, Lonnie DaVoult

Chairman of Executive Board, L. A. Yandell

Executive Treasurer, Jim Cearley

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Berton Perry

Mildred Cash

Carl Sharp

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Odessa Robinson

Anna Akin

Lillian Wade

DIVINE SERVICE

Ed Warner

Le Leroy Akin

Charley Furgerson

AUDITING

Floyd Vulgamore

Lester Maynard

Bill Lewis

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Wade Jernigan, chairman

Marvin Hawkins

Albert Collier

Ed Warner

Gerald Mangham

STATE DELEGATES

Central Avenue...Ed Warner

Spencer Road...Pat Elledge

Moore.....Viva Mangham

Seminole...Doris Vulgamore

Sunnylane...Juanita Collier

Shawnee 1st..Mildred Cash

Norman, 1st.Louis Wickham

Shawnee, N.E...Doris Perry

Spring Hill.....Luther Scott

Tecumseh.....John Williams

Wolf.....Mary Palmer

Capitol Hill..Edna DaVoult

N.W. Okla. City.....

Ona Lee Cearley

Purcell.....L. C. Webber

S.W.Okla.City Ruth Hawkins

Local Delegates to District Meeting

Capitol Hill.....H. E. Owen, Sr., Lorene Borden, Thomas Pexton
Central Ave.....Melba Spears, Tommie Davis, Mary Ann Giles
Sunnyside.....Juanita Nabors, Maudie Akin, Juanita Collier
South West.....Hallie Lewis, Albert Hunt, Grace Fergusson
North West.....Lillian Wade, Dottie Webb, Charlotte Gables
Spencer Road.....Mary Jo Johnson, Ellen Scatterwhite, Leota Wilson
Spring Hill.....Lizzie Vanwinkle, Lucille Cravens, Pearl Fry
Pleasant Hill....Donnia Cartwright, Bill Cartwright, Laura Wilcox
Minneha.....Emmett Mollock, Wenal Mollock
Moore.....Juanita Wells, Eunice Rice, Ruby Jones
Norman, 1st.....Leo Cleveland, Louis Wickham, Buck Womack
Straight Street.....Ruth Turman, Juanita Parker, Doris Garner
Purcell.....J. E. Bazemore, Lillian Huddleston, Lizzie Dunn
Seminole.....Cora Bruce, Mae Goodman, L. G. Goodman
Shawnee, 1st...Odessa Robinson, Lucille Hampton, Mildred Cash
N. E. Shawnee.....Nelma Young, Jack Daniels, Cladie Johnson
Tecumseh.....Anna Akin, Mrs. Herd, Mrs. Nix
Wolf.....Fern Holick, Barbara Barlow, Camellia Holick

CHURCH CLERKS

Church Clerks	Addresses	Telephone
Central Avenue Tommie Davis	Oklahoma City, Okla. 527 S.W. 49th	
Spencer Road Dee Wells	725 N.W. 60 Oklahoma City, Okla.	
Moore Geraldine Scroggins	329 S.W. 1st Moore, Okla.	
Seminole Veta Choate	General Delivery Seminole, Okla.	1807 W 1
Sunnylane Mrs. Mildred Lobdell	2103 S. Missouri Oklahoma City, Okla.	OR7-5694
Shawnee, 1st Mildred Cash	536 N. Douglas Shawnee, Okla.	BR3-2319
Norman, 1st Miss Martha Miller	527 E. Rich Norman, Okla.	JE4-3919
Shawnee, North East Mrs. George Haas	516 N. Elm Shawnee, Okla.	BR3-8768
Spring Hill Mrs. Trula Thompson	Rt. 1 Lexington Okla.	819F2
Wolf Orice McDonald	Rt. 2 Maud, Okla.	Bowlegs 2909
S.W. Okla. City Ruth Hawkins	2927 S.W. 54th Oklahoma City, Okla.	MU1-3223
Purcell Linnie Smith	530 W. Adams Purcell, Okla.	
Tecumseh Mrs. Vivian Williams	Box 2 Tecumseh, Okla.	598-3197
Minneha Alpha Koonce	2517 S. Woodward Oklahoma City, Okla.	MU5-5712
Pleasant Hill Georga Hurst	Rt. 3 Norman, Okla.	(% Louise Allen Jefferson 4-7953)
Straight Street Ada Lee Reed	1603 Rosemont Norman, Okla.	
N.W. Okla. City Mary Ruth Johnson	3637 N. Phillips Oklahoma City, Okla.	
Capitol Hill Jerry R. Vanover	1013 S.W. 32nd Oklahoma City, Okla.	ME4-8008

PROCEEDINGS

The Sixty-fourth Annual Session of the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist convened August 17,18,19, 1961 at the associational Camp Grounds.

Friday, 9:30 A.M.

Services were opened with congregational hymn, "Bringing In The Sheaves", led by Rev. Lester Maynard, with Cora Bruce at the piano. Led in prayer by Rev. Carl Sharp. Hymn, "Love Lifted Me". Devotional Scripture and prayer led by Rev. Ralph Hampton, reading Gal. 2:20, Col. 3:1-3.

The Association was called into conference by the Assistant Moderator, Rev. Lonnie DaVault. Letters were called for and read. Churches reporting by letter were: Seminole, S.W. Okla. City, Moore, Spencer Road, Pleasant Hill, Central Avenue, Tecumseh, Capitol Hill, Purcell, Shawnee First, Minneha, Norman First, Spring Hill, Straight Street, Norman, Sunnyslane, N.E. Shawnee, Wolf, N.W. Okla. City. Motion was carried we receive the letters and seat the delegates. Hymn, "Amazing Grace", was sang as the right hand of fellowship was given.

A report of our State Work was given by Rev. E. M. Kennedy, State Executive Secretary.

Visiting ministers were recognized. They were: Rev. Fassio, Wilburton, and Rev. DeAuthor Yandell, Tulare, California.

Rev. Ralph Hampton was placed temporarily on the Credential Board in the absence of Rev. Jim Cearley. Dismissed in prayer for recess.

11:00 A.M.

Services were opened by singing "Heavenly Sunlight" led by Rev. Carl Sharp. Cora Bruce at the piano. Led in prayer by Rev. DeAuthor Yandell. Solo, "Sweet Hour of Prayer", by Rev. Carl Sharp. Rev. Albert Collier brought the morning message. His scripture, St. Matthew 16:24. Benediction and blessing on noon-day meal by L. D. Yandell.

Friday, 1:00 P.M.

Services were opened with hymns, "Showers of Blessings", and "When We All Get To Heaven", led by Rev. Lester Maynard. Cora Bruce at the piano. Led in prayer by Ed Warner. Devotion by Rev. Danny Parker. Scripture, Phil. 3.

Officers elected for the new year are: Moderator, Rev. Lonnie DaVoult, Assistant Moderator, Rev. Ralph Hampton; Clerk, Mrs. George Haas; Assistant Clerk, Mrs. Ed Warner; Executive Treasurer, Rev. Jim Cearley.

New pastors recognized were Rev. Floyd Vulgamore, Seminole; Rev. Danny Parker, Straight Street.

Committees were appointed by the Moderator and his Assistant. (See Committees). Moved and properly sustained that we discontinue the Refreshment Committee as we have no further need of committee. Rev. Berton Perry was appointed to the Credential Board to serve in the examining of Bro. Donald Smith in the absence of Rev. Jim Cearley.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Hymn, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms", led by Bob Followwell, Cora Bruce at the piano.

Motion properly sustained that we accept the report of the Divine Service Committee. (See Reports)

Rev. Daniel Parker spoke to us on Christian Education.

Motion properly sustained that we table Item 1 of Business Committee Report. (See Report). Motion properly sustained that we accept Item 2 of Business Committee. (See Report) The Auxiliary report was received as information. (See Reports). Motion properly sustained that we accept Item 1 of Credential Board report. (See Reports)

Rev. L. A. Yandell spoke to us on "Missions" and "The New Church Club Plan". Motion properly sustained that we adjourn until 9:00 A.M. on Saturday. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Ralph Hampton.

Friday, 7:30 P.M.

Services were called to order by Moderator, Rev. Lonnie DaVoult. Congregational hymns, "I Am Thine O Lord", "Who-soever Meaneth Me", led by Bob Followwell. Led in prayer by Rev. Ralph Hampton. Hymn, "When I See The Blood". "What a Friend We Have in Jesus". Solo, "Follow Me", by Betty Landrum. Rev. Lester Maynard was speaker of the hour. Scripture, St. Matthew 21:23-31. Rev. Albert Collier led in prayer. Benediction by Howard Hunt.

Saturday, 9:00 A.M.

Congregational hymns, "Jesus Saves" and "Kneel At The Cross", led by Rev. Carl Sharp. Mary Jo Johnson, pianist. Devotional and prayer by Rev. Berton Perry. Scripture was

Eccl. 3:14; 2 Tim. 2:19. Recognition of new pastor of Moore church, Rev. Gerald Mangham.

The Quarterly and Yearly reports of the Executive Treasurer were read by Rev. Jim Cearley and Motion properly sustained that we accept reports. (See Reports) Rev. Berton Perry was appointed to work on Credential Board in the absence of Rev. Lester Maynard. Motion properly sustained that we take matter of Business Committee from table to vote on at this time. Item 1. (See Reports) Motion properly sustained that we amend this to be a new article in our Constitution, Article 9, Fees, (See Reports), and that it read "That each church send \$10 minute fee, \$5 State Delegate fee, annually, \$5 local delegate fee quarterly.

Speakers for our Meetings are: November, Rev. Kenneth Wilcox. February, Rev. Jack Cravens. May, Rev. Gerald Mangham. August 17, 1962, Rev. Wade Jernigan. Motion properly sustained that we have a Thursday Night service at our Annual Meeting next August and that it be the Introductory Message and we elect the speaker here today. Rev. Ralph Hampton was elected as speaker for the 7:30 P.M. service.

Motions properly sustained that we accept Items 2, 3 and 4 of the Business Committee. (See Reports) Motion properly sustained that we accept Item 5 of Business Committee. (See Reports) (For committee, see Committees). The League Board report was given and motion properly sustained that we accept the report and vote item by item. (See Reports).

Rev. Albert Collier was elected as Evangelist for Youth Encampment. Bob Followwill was elected as Music Director for the Camp. Rev. Barney Mangham was elected as Camp Ground Director. Motion properly sustained that the dormitory sponsors, teachers, and cooks be appointed by the League Board at their convenience. Motion properly sustained that we recompense the Followwill's for their services during the Youth Camp and that the League Board decide upon this. Motion properly sustained that we pay Camp Director a fee commendable of Choir Director and League Board set fee. Motion properly sustained that we adjourn business until 11:15 P.M. Benediction by Rev. Lonnie DeVault.

Saturday, 11:00 A.M.

Congregational hymn, "There Shall Be Showers of Blessings", led by Rev. Robert Sherry. Led in prayer by Rev. Gerald Mangham. Hymn, "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus". Solo, "At Calvary". by Rev. Sherry. Speaker of the hour was Rev. Floyd

Vulgamore. Scripture, Romans 1:16. Text, "The Gospel of Christ". Rev. Robert Sherry was appointed to serve on the Auditing Committee in the absence of Rev. Lester Maynard. Dismissal prayer and blessing on noonday meal by Bro. Charley Ferguson.

Saturday, 1:15 P.M.

Congregational hymn, "Victory in Jesus", led by Mildred Cash. Devotional and prayer by Rev. Gerald Mangham. Scripture reading, Psalms 37.

Rev. Jack Cravens was elected by acclamation as Assistant Camp Ground Director. Sister Edna DaVoult was elected by acclamation as League Treasurer. Bro. Ed Warner reported on Sunday School Commission and presented ways to promote the Sunday School Commission this year. (See Reports).

Motion properly sustained we receive the report of the Executive Board and accept recommendation as nomination of Rev. Ralph Hampton to the Board. (See Reports) Motions properly sustained that we accept Items 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Credentials Board. (See Reports) Motion properly sustained that we receive the Missions Board report and accept recommendation of nomination of Rev. Albert Collier to the Board. Motion properly sustained we accept report of Obituary Committee and stand for a moment of silent prayer. Led in prayer by Rev. Albert Collier. (See Reports). Motion properly sustained that we receive report of Auditing Committee and give Treasurer a standing vote of Thanks for work the past year. (See Reports). Motion properly sustained that we accept Item 6 of Business Committee. Motion properly sustained that we postpone this recommendation, turn it to the Finance Committee and bring it up at next Quarterly Meeting. (See Reports). Motions properly sustained that we accept Items 7, 8 and 9 of Business Committee. (See Reports) Motion properly sustained that we retain Rev. L. A. Yandell as General Board Member to State. Motion properly sustained that we give Mr. and Mrs. Meisneer a standing vote of Thanks for their work during the past year.

Board members elected were: Rev. Ralph Hampton was elected by acclamation as 5 year man on executive board. (See Boards and Committees) Bro. Charley Ferguson was elected by acclamation as 5 year man on planning board. (See Boards and Committees). Rev. Berton Perry was elected as 5 year man and Rev. Floyd Vulgamore as 3 year man on the league board. (See Boards and Committees) Rev. Albert Collier was elected as 5 year man on the missions board. (See Boards and Committees) Rev. Kenneth Elledge was elected as 5 year man on Sunday School Commission. (See Boards and Committees) Rev. and Mrs. Wade Jernigan were elected as general sponsors for the League Rallies. Motion properly sustained that we adjourn. Congre-

gational hymns, "Blest Be The Tie That Binds," and "Amazing Grace". Benediction by Rev. Ralph Hampton.

Rev. Lonnie DaVoult, Moderator
Mrs. George Haas, Clerk

Minute Money and Delegate Fees

Central Avenue	\$20.00
Spencer Road	20.00
Moore	20.00
Seminole	20.00
Sunnylane	20.00
Straight Street	20.00
Shawnee First	20.00
Norman First	15.00
N.E. Shawnee	20.00
Womens Auxiliary	10.00
Spring Hill	15.00
Tecumseh	20.00
Wolf	20.00
Capitol Hill	20.00
N.W. Oklahoma City	20.00
Purcell	5.00
S.W. Oklahoma City	15.00
Minneha	5.00
Pleasant Hill	15.00
Total turned to the Associational Treasurer by Clerk	\$320.00

Mrs. George Haas, Clerk

ASSOCIATIONAL TREASURER'S

YEARLY REPORT

Receipts:

Central Avenue.....\$2356.21
 Capitol Hill..... 5059.78
 Straight Street..... 426.04
 Tecumseh..... 1158.78
 Wolf..... 291.97
 Purcell..... 647.77
 Spring Hill..... 172.83
 Seminole..... 135.60
 Shawnee 1st..... 60.40
 S.W. Okla. City..... 100.00
 Pleasant Hill..... 162.48
 Norman 1st..... 1079.51
 Minneha..... 00.00
 N.E. Shawnee..... 30.00
 N.W. Okla. City..... 1587.01
 Moore..... 636.06
 Sunnyside..... 173.12
 Spencer Road..... 57.00
 Associational League.....776.60
 Assoc. Women's Aux.... 50.00
 Associational Clerk... 576.80
 Youth Camp..... 822.28
 Other Income..... 322.57
 TOTAL Receipts \$16682.81

Brought Forward

August 1, 1960..... \$757.87

TOTAL Receipts \$17440.68

Paid Out:

To State Office:

Cooperative Program.\$6850.65
 Missions..... .4885.56
 Headquarters Bldg..... 463.14
 College Fund..... 931.30
 Printing Minutes..... 144.00
 Miscellaneous..... 63.69
 State Delegate Fee..... 80.00

TOTAL to STATE

OFFICE.....\$13418.34
 Camp Ground Upkeep:
 W.J. Meissner(salary)\$1200.00
 Insurance on Camp..... 173.63
 Butane..... 98.60
 Okla. Electric Coop.... 118.10
 Tractor Gasoline..... 72.89
 Repair & Supplies..... 364.31

TOTAL Camp Ground

Expense... \$2027.53

Other Expense:

Youth Camp..... \$810.08
 League Money to League
 Treasurer..... 400.00
 Delegates Lunch..... 322.54
 Mileage..... 90.95
 Rent & expense of organizing
 Spencer Road Church.. 99.75
 Mileage of Mission Board 36.20
 Miscellaneous..... 188.01
 Total.....1947.53

TOTAL Paid Out... \$17393.40

Total Receipts... \$17440.68

Total Paid Out.. \$17393.40

Balance in Treasury per

Bank Statement August 1, 1960

..... \$47.28

Your Associational Treasurer,

James Cearley
4624 N.W. 36th
Okla. City 22, Okla.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Board

The Executive Board humbly submits the following report: "The Board met Quarterly during the year to consider business of the Association. In the First Meeting, Sept. 6th, all standing boards of the Association met at the Camp Grounds. The Planning Board submitted for discussion, plans for building roads on Camp Ground. Due to the cost of construction, there was agreement not to recommend building roads at this time.

The League Board submitted plans for League Rally.

The Mission Board submitted plans for assisting the Spencer Road Free Will Baptist Church, when it was known as the Jone's Mission, and support it in the form of rent money was granted.

In the following meetings the Executive Board agreed to rent the Camp Grounds to approved church and family groups at \$50 per day. Also, to install additional out-side light for camp.

The Executive Board wishes to nominate Rev. Ralph Hampton to the Executive Board of the Association."

Executive Board

-Divine Service Committee-

"We, the Divine Service Committee, recommend Rev. Lester Maynard bring the evening Message and Rev. Floyd Vulgamore for the Saturday Morning message."

Signed, Committee

-Obituary Committee-

"We report the following deaths in our Association: Tecumseh, Bro. T.E. Beshiers; Sunnyside, Bro. David H. Russell.

Realizing that the loss of these, our brethren, in Christ, is Heaven's gain, let us stand in a moment of silent prayer led by Rev. Albert Collier."

Signed, Committee

-Auditing Committee-

"We, the Auditing Committee, have audited the book of the

treasurer of the First Oklahoma Association and have found them to be in order. Also, we have audited the Women's Auxiliary book and found it to be in order."

Signed, Committee

—Sunday School Commission Report—

"We, the Sunday School Commission, have met three times the past year to make plans for assisting the Associational Institutes. We have had three Sunday School Institutes the past year and wish to report 109 awards given to those who have attended. These include Shawnee North East in February, Moore in March, and Sunnylane in April."

Signed, Commission

—Business Committee—

Item 1:—"Be it resolved that we insert into our constitution that each church send \$10 Minute Fee, \$5 State Delegate Fee, annually, \$5 Local Delegate Fee, quarterly."

Amendment—"That each church send \$10 minute fee, \$5 state delegate fee, annually; \$5 local delegate fee, quarterly, and that this be a new article in our constitution. Article 9—Fees."

Item 2:—"Be it resolved that in the reading of the letters, church and pastors and delegates names be sufficient for the reading of the report."

Item 3:—"Be it resolved that we officially adopt the National Association Treatise as the treatise of this Association."

Item 4:—"Be it resolved that we reaffirm our unalterable stand and our belief in Congregational Church Government."

Item 5:—"Be it resolved that a Constitution and By-Laws Committee be appointed by Moderator to study Constitution and By-Laws. To be reported at the Association."

Item 6:—"Be it resolved that we use the Building Fund to erect two shower rooms with rest rooms for boys and in shower rooms, hot water tanks, in boys and girls shower rooms." Postponed.

Item 7:—"Be it resolved that we enlarge the refreshment stand to twice the size in order to accommodate the people."

Item 8:—"Be it resolved that building expenses be handled by Finance Committee."

Item 9:—"Be it resolved that no Minister or Deacon can be an active member of this Association unless he believes, practices and teaches tithing."

Signed, Committee

—Credential Board—

Item 1:—"We, the Credential Board, recommend that Bro. Kenneth Donald Smith be licensed to preach the Gospel for one year."

Item 2:—"We recommend Bro. Forest Peters to be ordained as Deacon."

Item 3:—"We recommend Bro. DeLaine Nixon to be ordained as Deacon."

Item 4:—"We recommend Bro. Frank Young to be licensed to preach the Gospel."

Item 5:—"We recommend that Bro. L.D. Yandell's license be extended for one year, to preach the Gospel."

Signed, Committee

—League Board Report—

The League Board met four times during the year. Planned three League Rallies.

At our Youth Encampment, we had a total of 127 enrolled. During Camp several souls were saved and many re-dedicated. We thank God for a spiritual revival and wonderful cooperation by everyone.

The business session being held Friday afternoon, with Bro. Joe Grizzwell, Moderator, the following officers were elected: President, Forrest Maynard; Vice-President, James Maynard; Corresponding Secretary, Veta Maynard; Secretary, Coeta Madden; Pianist, Jackie Warner.

The following officers to be elected by the Association: Sponsors, Evangelist, Music Director, Camp Ground Director, Assistant Camp Ground Director, and the Treasurer.

Treasurer Report

\$448.00 on hand with \$408.00 earmarked. Leaving a balance of \$40.00 of the \$100.00 which was allocated to the League Board.

Signed, League Board

Auxiliary Minutes

August 17, 1961

The Women's District Auxiliary Convention met Thursday, August 17, 1961, at the Camp Ground for their annual meeting, using the theme "Soldiers for Christ" for the program, with the President, Sis. Edna DaVoult, in charge.

The service was opened by singing "Stand Up for Jesus", "Bringing in the Sheaves", and "We're Marching to Zion", led by Florence Howard, and Judy Borden at the piano. Prayer led by Sis. Doris Hall.

Devotion was read by Coleena Huffstutlar of Central Ave., using 2 Tim. 2:2-15, as Scripture.

First topic, Stand in Full Armor, by Sister Pearl Taylor, using Eph. 6:10-18 as scripture.

Appointment of committees were as follows: Resolution—Mildred Cash, Marcelene Thompson and Lena Armstrong. Committee on Divine Service—Nettie Lou Jernigan, Melba Spears and Jo Smith. Finance Committee—Beatrice Haas, Sis. Lucille Hampton and Joy Yandell. Appreciation—Zelma Ward, Mrs. Palmer Price and Mrs. Daniel Parker. Obituary—Doris Hall, Coleena Huffstutlar and Ruth Hawkins.

Dismissed for recess in prayer by Sis. Cash.

Eleven o'clock Worship Service was opened with group singing, "Sunlight", "Higher Ground" and "Stepping in the Light". Prayer by Rev. Berton Perry. Solo by Florence Howard, "A Crown of Thorns". Message was delivered by Rev. Lonnie DaVoult, using 1 Tim. 6:12; his text, "Fight a Good Fight". Dismissed for noon by Rev. Ralph Hampton.

The afternoon service was opened by singing "Take The Name of Jesus With You", "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and "When The Saints Go Marching In". Offertory prayer. Received offering of \$26.20.

Second topic, "Not Defeated but Victorious", by Sis. Edna DaVoult, using Scripture from Rev. 3:5. Solo by Sis. Cash, "God Leads His Dear Children Along."

Declamation Contest was held with the following participating: GTA — Linda Wilkerson, Seminole, "Other Sheep I Have"—First Place. YPA— Judy Borden, Capitol Hill, "To Whom Are Missionaries Sent"—First. YPA— Richard Bruce, Seminole, "A Parable"—Second Winner.

Report from the National Convention by Joy Yandell.

Minutes of meeting read and approved.

Treasurers report read and accepted.

Report of Committees:

Resolution 1. "Be it resolved that the churches bring drinking glasses, tea towels, iron skillets, and each auxiliary a book of stamps for a wall can-opener." Motion carried to accept.

2. "Be it resolved that we have all of our Quarterly Meetings in the churches. First one in November to be at Shawnee First. Second in February at Norman First. Third one in May at Seminole. Fourth one in August at Capitol Hill. We will continue to bring our food as we do with the church entertaining furnishing the lapels, table arrangements, drinks and bread." Motion carried to accept resolution.

3. "Be it resolved we continue support of \$5.00 to State Home Mission worker." Motion carried to accept resolution.

4. "Be it resolved we continue support of Arizona-Mexico Mission Student full time. Each church send \$1.00 a month toward this amount." Motion carried to accept resolution.

5. "Be it resolved we give some token of appreciation to each of our declamation contestants. President be given power to to appoint committee to take care of same". Motion carried with following committee elected: Hallie Lewis, Zelma Ward and Joy Yandell.

6. "Be it resolved that the Secretary send a copy of Quarterly Meeting minutes to each local auxiliary." Motion carried to accept resolution.

7. "Be it resolved that each auxiliary pay into Student Loan Fund." Motion carried to accept resolution.

8. "Be it resolved that we sponsor an Essay Contest in our district for youth auxiliaries using a subject in connection with declamation contest." Motion carried.

9. "Be it resolved that the lapels have a place to write our names and churches." Motion carried.

Rev. Lonnie DaVoult explained the new Church Club Plan for our information.

The Committee on Divine Service recommended Rev. Wade Jernigan to bring message in November with Rev. Lester Maynard as alternate.

"Finance Committee wishes to report we have \$34.94 in the treasure and we owe \$46.50." Motion carried to accept report. An offering of \$26.20 was received to supplement treasury.

"Appreciation Committee wants to thank each lady for the covered dish and special thanks to the Tecumseh Auxiliary for the lovely lapels and table arrangements. We would also like to thank Sis. Misner for being so helpful in the kitchen." Motion accepted by standing vote.

Obituary Committee: "We, the Obituary Committee, reports three deaths during the past year from the following churches: Sis. Minnie Smith, Capitol Hill; Sis. Lou Glover, Straight Street, Norman; Sis. Mattie Rodgers, Tecumseh. We, like Paul in Phil. 1:21-23 can say, "For me to live is Christ and to die is gain." also, "Having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better". Death brings sadness to our hearts, but we know the memory of the just is blessed. Motion carried to accept motion by prayer.

The election of officers to serve the Auxiliary for the next year were as follows:

President—Edna DeVoult, 2713 S.W. 33, Okla. City

Vice-President—Mildred Cash, 536 N. Douglas, Shawnee

Program Prayer—Lucille Stark, 1407 S. Penn., Okla. City

Youth Chairman—Joy Yandell, 1904 S. Central, Okla. City

Rec. Sec.—Veta Choate, Gen. Del., Seminole

Treasurer—Bea Haas, 516 N. Elm, Shawnee

Corr. Sec.—Doris Hall, 2121 S.W. 77th Place, Okla. City

Study Course Chrm.—Melba Spears, 3121 S.E. 21, Okla. City

Pianist—Cora Bruce, Rt. 1, Box 238, Seminole

Song Leader—Florence Howard, 5319 S. McKinley, Okla. City

Personal Service—Lucille Hampton, 1111 E. 11, Shawnee

Delegates elected to attend the State Convention were:

Ruth Hawkins, Doris Hall, Mildred Cash, Jo Smith and Orlena Wilkerson.

Installation of officers by Sis. Mildred Cash with prayer by Rev. Ralph Hampton.

Meeting adjourned by prayer.

Edna DeVoult, President
Melba Spears, Rec. Secretary

MINUTES OF THE FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

November 19, 1960

The First Quarterly Conference of the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist convened at the Camp Grounds November 19, 1960. The meeting opened with singing of the hymn, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms". Led in prayer by Rev. Retes Hunsucker. Congregational hymn, "I am Thine O Lord". Devotional was given by Bro. Norman Ray, reading Psalms 119. Prayer by Murl Wilson.

The First Oklahoma Association was declared in order and ready to do business. Motion made and carried to seat the delegates and delegates were given the right hand of fellowship. Churches reporting by letter were: Straight Street, Norman; Seminole; Shawnee First; Sunny Lane; Pleasant Hill; Capitol Hill; Central Avenue; North East Shawnee; Norman First; Tecumseh; Wolf; North West Oklahoma City; Jones; Purcell; Spring Hill; Moore First; and South West Oklahoma City.

Motion carried that the Moderator appoint an assistant for to-day. Rev. Ralph Hampton was appointed.

Appointment of committees:

Resolution Committee:

Rev. Jack Cravens

Bro. Ed Warner

Rev. Berton Perry

Obituary Committee:

Grace Smith

Cora Bruce

Sister Robinson

Dismissed for recess until eleven o'clock. Benediction by Bro. Dale Goodman.

11:00 O'clock

Congregational hymn, "Showers of Blessings", led by Rev. Carl Sharp. Cora Bruce, pianist. Led in prayer by Rev. Clyde Argo. Hymn, "Walking in Sunlight". A short period of testimony service followed by a solo, "Throw Out the Life Line", by Rev. Carl Sharp. Speaker of the hour, Aubrey Nance, of Pleasant Hill Church. Scripture, Matt. 20:18-20. Benediction and blessing on the noon day meal by Rev. Jim Cearley.

November 19, 1:15 P.M.

Congregational hymns, "Jesus Saves" and "Calvary". Devotional and prayer by Rev. Retes Hunsucker. Scripture 1 Tim. 4:1.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion carried that we leave the letter forms as they are and

the clerk be instructed to read just a certain amount and that all the forms be filled out for the Annual Association.

REPORTS

The Treasurer's report was given by Rev. Jim Cearley and motion carried that we accept report.

-Obituary-

"We are sorry to announce that Bro. Lidge F. Grant from Capitol Hill has gone to his eternal reward, Oct. 21, 1960. May we stand for a moment of silent prayer."

-Credential Board-

Item 1:—"We recommend that Bro. Darrel Goodman's license be extended for another year." Motion carried we accept recommendation.

Item 2:—"We recommend that Bro. Harold Owen's license be extended for another year or until such time as a church calls him for pastor." Motion carried we accept recommendation.

Item 3:—"We recommend that Bro. Morland Davis Palmer's license be extended for one year or until such time as a church shall call him for pastor." Motion carried we accept recommendation.

Item 4:—"We recommend that Bro. Fred J. Guidry's license be extended for one year." Motion carried we accept recommendation.

Item 5:—"We recommend that Bro. W.M. Bryan be set aside for deacon, on trial for one year, serving at the pleasure of the church." Motion carried we accept recommendation.

Item 6:—"We recommend that Bro. Milburn Wilson be set aside as deacon on trial for one year, serving at the pleasure of the church." Motion carried we accept recommendation.

Mission Board report by Rev. Carl Sharp, Sunday School Board report by Ed Warner and the Auxilliary report was received as information.

The District Association commends the Associational Clerk for compiling the minutes. A standing vote of thanks was given to the assistant clerk, Juanita Warner, for taking over in the absence of the Associational Clerk. Also, to Bro. Orville Carpenter in assisting.

Motion made and carried that we adjourn. Benediction by Rev. Murl Wilson.

Rev. Wade Jernigan, Moderator
Mrs. Juanita Warner, Assistant Clerk

Jones City, Okla.
September 22, 1960

First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist
First Oklahoma Campgrounds
Norman, Oklahoma

Greetings in the name of our Lord:

To the First Oklahoma Association of the Free Will Baptist when convened at the First Oklahoma Association Campground, November 18 and 19, 1960.

We, the Jones Free Will Baptist Church, voted in Conference September 22, 1960, to unite with the First Oklahoma Association for Fellowship, Council and Mutual Promotion of the Gospel of Christ.

We send as delegates Bro. Elmer D. Ragland, Bro. Milburn Wilson and Bro. William Bryan. Alternates are Bro. Kenneth Satterwhite, Bro. Ellis Mosley and Bro. Wilford Lee. We pray these delegates may sit with you in deliberations.

The Jones Free Will Baptist Church was organized Sept. 16, 1960, with 23 Charter Members, with eight more added before the closed, making a total of 31 charter members.

The Council on Organization consisted of Rev. Wade Jernigan, Rev. Albert Collier and Rev. Dennis ODonnell.

Rev. Murl Wilson was elected pastor and Bro. Leo H. Hoover as Deacon.

We have 52 enrolled in Sunday School. State of Religion, Good. Members received, 31; Number baptized, 1; Number dismissed, 0; Deceased, 0; Total members, 31; Prayer Meeting, Good; Sunday School, Good; Pupils enrolled, 52; Number officers, 2; Teachers, 4; Pastors Salary per week, \$15.00.

Pastor, Rev. Murl Wilson
Box 256
Jones City, Oklahoma

Done by Order of the Free Will Baptist Church of Jones City, Oklahoma. Assembled in Conference this 22 day of September, 1960.

Rev. Muril Wilson, Moderator

Elmer D. Ragland, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

February 18, 1961

Minutes of the Second Quarterly Meeting of the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist when convened at the Camp Grounds February 18, 1961.

Services were opened by sinigng "I Feel Like Traveling On", led by Rev. Jack Cravens. Led in prayer by Rev. Orville Carpenter. Congregational hymn; "Take The Name of Jesus With You." Devotional Scripture: Gal. 5:1; Rom. 8:1-5-38-39, by Rev. Berton Perry.

Letters were called for. Churches reporting by letter were: Tecumseh; Pleasant Hill; Shawnee First; Jones; Straight Street Norman; N. E. Shawnee; Wolf; Norman First; Purcell; South W. Okla. City, N.W. Okla. City, Central Ave., Moore, Spring Hill, Seminole; Sunnyslane and Capitol Hill. Motion carried that we receive letters and seat delegates.

Reading of Rules and By-laws by our Moderator.

Committees appointed were: RESOLUTION: Willie Hall; Cecil Parker; Lawrence Johnson; Alfred Wilkins and Joe Blair. OBITUARY: Agnes Hinkle, Hallie Lewis and Ruth Turman.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. Visiting Brethren were invited to seats in council. Recognized were Joe Pain, Don Cox and Noren Louderdale of Enid, Oklahoma.

New Business was called for: The treasurer's report was given by Rev. Jim Cearley. Motion carried we receive the report as read and give Rev. Cearly a vote of thanks for his good report. Rev. Carl Sharp talked to us on Missions and presented cards for membership to the District Missions for promotion of new churches in Oklahoma. Mr. R.W.H. McCulloch, St. Lukes Methodist Church, and Director of Sooner Alcohol-Narcotics Education was introduced by our Moderator. Motion carried we adjourn until 1:15 P.M.

11:00 O'clock

Services were opened by singing "Jesus Saves" led by Rev. Robert Sherry, Phyllis Blair, pianist. Led in prayer by Bro. Joe Pain. Congregational hymns "Calvary" and "Amazing Grace". Rev. Ralph Hampton was speaker of the hour. His text and scripture; "A Returning Christ", 1 Cor. 15:1-4. Benediction and blessing on noon-day meal by Rev. Retes Hunsucker.

1:15 P.M.

Afternoon services were opened by singing, "Take the Name of Jesus With You", led by Rev. Robert Sherry. Sister Peggy Royal, pianist. Led in prayer by Bro. Don Cox. Enid. Devotional by Bro. Kenneth Wilcox. Scripture, Psalms 1. Bro. Bob McCulloch spoke to us on Alcholism and the S.A.N.E. Corporation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

-Resolution Committee-

"Be it resolved that Association have piano tuned." Motion carried we accept recommendation and piano be tuned first of May. Motion from the floor that we sell old piano and get what we can for it. Amendment- "That the sale be for fourteen days and Executive Board sell to highest bidder". Motion carried for Amendment.

-Obituary Committee-

"We are sorry that the following persons have deceased since we last met. These have gone to their eternal reward, Bro. Dan L. Scott, Tecumseh, Mr. Lou Glover and Johnny Richard Rider, Straight Street, Norman. May we stand for a moment of silent Prayer." Led in prayer by Rev. Carl Sharp.

-Partial Report from the Credential Board-

Item 1:-"We recommend Bro. Kenneth Wilcox to be ordained to preach the Gospel." Motion carried we accept recommendation. Motion carried that the Planning Board report be laid on table for about ten minutes so the Credential Board may hear report.

Item 2:-"We recommend Bro. C.O. Turman be ordained as deacon and continue to apply himself to the study of Free Will Baptist doctrine." Motion carried we accept recommendation. Sunday School Board report by Bro. Ed Warner was received as information. Women's Auxiliary report was received as information.

Item 3:-"We recommend Bro. J.D. Williams be licensed to preach the Gospel." Motion carried we accept recommendation. Report of Mission Board of Association by Rev. Carl Sharp was received as information. Motion carried we remove matter of Planning Board Report from table to be voted on at this time.

-Planning Board Report-

"The Planning Board met on this Lord's Day of February 18, 1961, and came to this agreement. That it would be to our benefit to modernize the boys dormitory. We also have come to an agreement to build a chat road beginning at the entrance of the Camp Ground and North of the well house to the West end of the

dining hall, then South to the boy's last dormitory." Motion carried we accept report of Board.

Our Moderator spoke to us on the indebtedness of the property at Oklahoma City for State Association, urging all to help pay the indebtedness, and designated May 1, 1961, as "Headquarters Sunday."

Motion carried we adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Lonnie DaVault. Congregational hymn, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms", led by Moderator. Turned to Associational Treasurer for delegates feed \$ 95.00
to Association 41.15
Total \$136.15

Rev. Wade Jernigan, Moderator
Mrs. George Haas, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

May 20, 1961

Minutes of the Third Quarterly Meeting of the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist when convened at the Camp Ground, May 20, 1961.

Services were opened by singing "I Feel Like Traveling On" and "Victory in Jesus", led by Rev. Lester Maynard, Phyllis Blair, pianist. Prayer by Rev. Retes Hunsucker. Devotional Scripture, Ezk. 38, by Rev. Lonnie DaVault.

Letters were called for and churches reporting by letter were, Southwest Oklahoma City, Pleasant Hill, Tecumseh, Northwest Oklahoma City, Norman First, Wolf, Purcell, Seminole, Capitol Hill, Shawnee First, Spring Hill, Moore, Straight Street Norman, North East Shawnee, Central Avenue, Spencer Road and Sunnylane. Motion carried we receive letters and seat the delegates.

Reading of rules and by-laws by Rev. Lonnie DaVault.

Appointment of Committees: Bro. Fred Garner was appointed to serve on the Business Committee in the absence of H.L. Parker. Sisters Lawton Hurst and Lizzie Vanwinkle were appointed to serve on the Obituary Committee.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Rev. E.M. Kennedy gave a report on the State Work.

The Treasurers report was given by Rev. Jim Cearley. Motion carried we receive report as read and give Rev. Cearley a rising

vote of thanks for the good report. Because of ill health, Mrs. George Haas offered her resignation as Associational Clerk. Motion carried we receive resignation and that the Moderator send a letter of appreciation and thanks for services rendered. Sister Trula Thompson was elected Clerk until the Association meets. Motion carried we adjourn until 1:15 P.M.

11:00 A.M.

Eleven o'clock services were opened by singing "I Shall Not Be Moved", led by Rev. Lester Maynard with Phyllis Blair at the piano. Prayer by Cecil Parker. Hymn, "Oh, How I Love Jesus" and "Amazing Grace". Rev. Joe Blair was speaker of the hour. His text and scripture, "Forward for The Lord", Exodus 14:15. Benediction and blessing on the noon day meal.

1:15 P.M.

Afternoon services were opened by singing "Take The Name of Jesus With You", led by Rev. Berton Perry, Phyllis Blair, pianist. Prayer by Bro. Duane Wilson. Hymn, "More About Jesus". Devotional by Rev. Dennis O'Donnell.

Unfinished business called for. Reported the piano had been tuned.

The letter from the Jones Church was read. Motion carried we receive the letter, seat the delegates and make notation of change of name to Spencer Road.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

-Obituary-

"We are sorry to report the home-going of the following persons since we last met; Rev. John Bean and Sister Linnie Smith, Capitol Hill; Sister Mattie Rodgers, Tecumseh." Report was received by a moment of silent prayer in memory of the deceased, led by Bro. Lawton Hurst.

The League Board report was given by Rev. Carl Sharp. Sunday School Commission report was given by Rev. Berton Perry.

-Credential Board-

Item 1:-" We recommend that license to preach the Gospel be extended to Bro. Floyd Harris." Motion carried we accept recommendation.

Board of Christian Education report was given by Rev. Ralph Hampton. Motion carried that the First Oklahoma Association give one hundred (\$100.00) dollars to the building fund and ten

(\$10.00) dollars a month for operating of College. An offering was received for the support of College.

—Business Committee—

"Be it resolved that the Association buy fifty (\$50.00) dollars worth of playground equipment for the Youth Camp." Motion carried that we empower Bro. Barney Mangham, of the League Board, to buy equipment not to exceed fifty (\$50.00) dollars.

Motion carried we adjourn. Benediction by Rev. Ralph Hampton.

Rev. Wade Jernigan, Moderator
Trula Thompson, Clerk

To the Quarterly Meeting of the First Oklahoma Association

May 20, 1961

The League Board was to make the following report:

We have had three meetings and planned three league rallies.

We want to thank everyone for their fine cooperation as our attendance has been very good this year, for which we thank God.

Teachers for our Youth Encampment are as follows:

Bro. Wade Jernigan	Bro. Ralph Hampton	Bro. Berton Perry
Bro. Joe Blair	Bro. Carl Sharp	
Bro. Jim Cearley	Bro. Bob Followwill	

We wish to make the following recommendations:

That we raise camp ground fee from \$6.50 to \$7.00, including insurance.

Yours in Christ,

Bro. Bob Followwill, Clerk
Bro. Barney Mangham, Chairman of Board

CHURCH STATISTICS

Churches, Pastors, Addresses	Members Received	Members Dismissed	Total Membership	Paid out for Denominational Work	Property Value
Capitol Hill Rev. Lonnie DaVoult 2313 S.W. 33 Oklahoma City, Okla.	43	29	395	\$5,085.88	\$162,500.00
Central Avenue Rev. L.A. Yandell 1904 S. Central Ave. Oklahoma City, Okla.	32	10	374	\$2,081.47	60,000.00
Sunnylane Rev. Albert Collier 4220 S.E. 41st Oklahoma City, Okla.	14	16	159	126.12	
South West Rev. Lester Maynard 3202 S.W. 27th Oklahoma City, Okla.	5	3	86	89.00	20,000.00
North West Rev. James Cearley 4625 N.W. 36th Oklahoma City, Okla.	22	2	90	2,425.54	55,000.00
Spencer Road Rev. Kenneth Elledge 3300 Brookside Oklahoma City, Okla.	34	0	30	30.00	12,000.00
Spring Hill Rev. Jack Cravens Rt. 2, Lexington, Okla.	8	6	78	172.27	10,000.00
Pleasant Hill Rev. Aubrey Nance Rt. 3, Norman, Okla.	23	0	74	235.98	6,000.00

Minneha Rev. Leon Koonce 3517 S. Woodard Oklahoma City, Okla.	2		15		\$ 3,000.00
Moore, First Rev. Gerald Mangham 424 E. Main Moore, Okla.	19	2	47	711.23	15,000.00
Norman, First Rev. Wade Jernigan 321 W. Mosier Norman, Okla.	27	11	210	1,203.61	60,000.00
Norman, Straight Street Rev. Daniel Parker 1709 Dakota Norman, Okla.	11	26	50	428.00	23,000.00
Purcell, First Rev. Retes Hunsucker 418 W. Washington Purcell, Okla.	6		71	799.08	12,000.00
Seminole Rev. Floyd vulgamore Box 841, Rt. 1 Seminole, Okla.	10	8	64	158.53	19,000.00
Shawnee, First Rev. Ralph Hampton 1111 E. 11th Shawnee, Okla.	1	3	53	142.96	36,000.00
Shawnee, North East Rev. Berton Perry Rt. 3, Box 31B Shawnee, Okla.	11	1	94	135.00	21,005.00
Tecumseh Rev. Carl Sharp 108 Range Line Tecumseh, Okla.	14	10	234	1,175.57	34,000.00
Wolf Rev. Dennis ODonnell 1420 S. Okfuskee Wewoka, Okla.	1	0	51	336.67	9,600.00

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE: From long experience we, the members of the Free Will Baptist, realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us as a group of churches, do hereby ordain this constitution for our progress and to perpetuate better associational government.

Article 1

NAME: This Association shall be known as the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptists of the State of Oklahoma.

Article 11

MEMBERSHIP: This Association shall be composed of Free Will Baptist Churches who maintain Gospel order and agree with denominational doctrine and practices; and favor the enterprises that have been endorsed by this Association.

Article 111

DELEGATES: Voting members of the Association shall be ministers, deacons, members of all standing boards, officers and sponsors of the League Rally of Association, Officers of Women's Auxiliary Convention of Association, Officers of Sunday School Convention of Association, church clerks, and also three delegates from each local church in the Association, which shall be seated with proper credentials. There must be a quorum of at least five churches present and a written record shall be made of all transactions. No member of the executive board shall delegate authority to any other member of said board to cast his vote for him in anything. The board shall have the power to call all the Association in conference by notifying each church ten days prior to conference and they shall have the authority to change quarterly meetings or association if the place where said quarterly meetings or associations is to meet is not able to care for the meetings, and their decisions shall be final. This must be done in time to notify each church.

Article 1V

OFFICERS: The officers of this Association shall be a moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, treasurer and executive board consisting of five members. The board members to be elected so as to require one to be elected each year. To this board is delegated power to act in behalf of and for the First Oklahoma Association from one meeting to another of said Association, and shall have the power and authority to

elect such officers as might be deemed best for its own government and to carry out the plans and undertakings of First Oklahoma Association. The board shall have power to fill vacancies that may occur in its own body.

To this executive board is further delegated power to collect funds and employ and superintend such work for the field as may seem best, and the means on hand may warrant. They shall have power to convey or mortgage any real estate or associational property. This executive board shall keep a record of all work done, money raised, meetings held, and make a full and complete report to the next regular meeting of the Association and shall further receive, hold, manage, use, control, and convey any property entrusted to said Association for any purpose in accordance with the purpose of the donor or donors and in no case divert it from its original object.

The chairman and treasurer of said executive board shall sign all deeds and bonds, notes, etc., and any other papers by which First Oklahoma is to become legally held. It shall be the duty of this executive board to meet at each regular or adjourned session and as often as may be necessary, and any member absenting himself from meetings three times may be dropped from the board and his successor elected. No meeting of the executive board be legal unless at least three must be present.

Article V

NEW CHURCHES: Any regularly organized Free Will Baptist Church, (Treatise Page 42, 1947), who desires to unite with First Oklahoma Association may be received by letter and elected delegates.

Article VI

QUESTIONS: No questions from any church shall come under the consideration of the Association unless it has been first considered in its own church.

Article VII

PROPERTY AND REAL ESTATE: Any church that is a member of the First Oklahoma Association that fails to have a pastor for two years becomes the property of said Association; however, that at anytime during this two years it will be the business of the executive board to assist such a church in securing a pastor or if need be, in finance; or if a condition should arise that would not be advisable for this church to continue its work, it would be the board's duty to take charge of this property.

Article V111

CREDENTIALS: When a church desires that one of its members should be examined for license or ordination, it shall be the duty of the council in the examination to find out as nearly as possible if the candidate is qualified.

The candidate is to be examined by a set of questions. We recommend these questions and unless they are answered scripturally and satisfactorily to the approval of the board, they will not be licensed or ordained.

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MINISTERS TO BE ORDAINED

Date

Name Age

Address

Member Of Church

1. Do you have license?
2. If you have license, how long have you carried them?
3. By what Association were they issued?
4. How many sermons have you preached?
5. Where are you preaching now?
6. Why do you want to be ordained?
7. Are you married? How many times?
8. If you have been married more than once, is a former companion living?
9. How many children do you have?
10. Is your wife a member of the Free Will Baptist Church
11. How long have you been a Christian?
12. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist?
13. Is your wife willing that you be ordained?
14. Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder your ministry?
15. If you have belonged to other denominations, give name of each and length of time with each.
16. In your opinion, what is God's plan for financing his work?
17. Do you tithe to the church you are a member of?
18. Are you willing to make any sacrifice that may be involved in this ministry?

19. Are you willing to abstain from any indulgences that might hinder your effective influence in the ministry?
20. Will your financial circumstances hinder you in taking the pastoral care of a church?
21. How much education do you have?
22. Have you had any special training in doctrinal and pastoral theology?
23. Have you had any courses of study in Homiletics?
24. Do you have plans to better qualify yourself for the ministry?
25. If so what are your plans?
26. Are you resolved to devote yourself wholly to the ministry?
27. Would you be willing to continue preaching under license if this committee felt that it was best?
28. Have you completed the Minister's Preparation Course?

QUESTIONS ON DOCTRINE

1. Do you believe that the Scripture, 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 God Head
4. Is salvation obtained through the Blood of Christ?
5. Name the condition of salvation
6. Do you believe that speaking in an unknown tongue is evidence of having received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost?....
7. Do you believe in a second definite work of Grace or Baptism of the Holy Ghost, separate and apart from regeneration?
8. What composes 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. Do you believe that immersion is the proper methods of water Baptism?
13. Do you believe that the Lord's Supper and Feet Washing are divine ordinances and should be observed repeatedly? ...?...

14. (a) Do you teach and practice these ordinances?
- (b) Do you practice the 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 judgment when time and
man's probation will close forever and then all will be judg-
ed according to their works?
18. Do you believe that immediately after the 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 Bap-
tist articles of faith, I will surrender my credentials to the
Quarterly Conference of which I am a member.

Signed

Article 1X

FEEES: Each church in Association is to send \$10.00 Minute Fee, \$5.00 State Delegate Fee, annually; \$5.00 local delegate fee, quarterly.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the infallible Word of God, and the only safe rule of faith and practice. 11 Tim. 3:16-17; 11 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, Eph. 5:1-19.

4. That salvation, regeneration, santification, justification and redemption are by life, death, resurrection, ascension and intercession of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Acts 4:12; Titus 3:5.

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

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

7. Baptism (the immersion of believers in water), the Lord's Supper, and Feet Washing are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. The Lord's Supper, which is to be observed by all believers at night, is followed by the ordinance of feet washing, which teaches humility, of universal obligation, to be practiced by all Believers. Baptism: Matt. 28:19; Acts 8:36-39; Col. 2:12; Lord's Supper; Mark 14:17; Matt. 26-34; 1 Cor. 11:23,34; Feet Washing: John 13:4,5; John 13:12,13.

8. We believe in the sanctity of the first day of the week or the Lord's Day, and that it ought to be observed and spent in public worship of God, and that on it, we should abstain from our worldly concerns except in cases of necessity and mercy. Ex. 31; Deut. 5:12; Matt. 12:12.

9. We believe in the resurrection of the body, both the just and the unjust, but every one in his own order; those who have done evil to the resurrection of damnation, and that God has appointed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness by Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 15:34; John 5:28; 1 Thes. 4:16.

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; 1 Tim. 2:5,6; John 3:14-16; 1 Peter 3:21.

12. We believe that the Lord's people are one in Him, and therefore should be one at his table. 1 Cor. 1:1-11; 27-28; John 17:11.

by-laws

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

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

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

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

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

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

7. Motion made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without leave of 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 endorsed by the Association will not be entitled to a seat in Conference and we will not seat any minister in this association that teaches the Baptism of the Holy Ghost separate from regeneration or the birth of the Spirit.

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

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

14. When a church has died (had no pastor for two years), the Association has the power to take possession of that church property to protect the welfare of the denomination.

15. The voting body of the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptists, shall be ordained ministers, ordained deacons, members of all standing boards, officers and sponsors of the League Rally of Association, officers of the Sunday School Convention of the Association, regularly elected delegates, which shall be seated only with proper credentials, and church clerks who are members of the Free Will Baptist Church of said Association in good standing.

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 all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanctions of use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

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

We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship and the observance of the ordinance 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 bond of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and to seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring and as far as we are able, to promote the success of the church and the Gospel.

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

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprise, the support of missions, the success of Sabbath 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. Letter called for, read, and received.
4. Right 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. Appointments of Committees.
10. Unfinished Business.
11. New business.
12. Reports of Committees.
13. Miscellaneous Business.

