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FREE WILL B/PTISTS

1963

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE
66th ANNUAL SESSION

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Convened at
FREE WILL BAPTIST CAMPGROUND
9 Miles West of Tecumseh
(On Highway 9)

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MODERATOR

Rev. Albert Collier.....4220 S.E. 41st St.
Okla. City, Okla.

ASSISTANT MODERATOR

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

CLERK

Mrs. Helen Chaffin..... 1503 N. Eureka
Seminole, Okla.

ASSISTANT CLERK

Mrs. Mildred Cash.....536 N. Douglas
Shawnee, Okla

EXECUTIVE TREASURER

Rev. L. A. Yendell.....1815 S. Central
Okla. City, Okla.

CONFERENCES

First Quarterly Meeting.....Nov. 16, 1963
Auxiliary Meeting...Nov. 14.....Trinity
Second Quarterly Meeting.....Feb. 15, 1964
Auxiliary Meeting,,,Feb. 13...Norman 1st.
Third Quarterly Meeting.....May 16, 1964
Auxiliary Meeting...May 14, N.W. Okla. City
Annual Association Meeting...Aug 14-15, 1964
Auxiliary Meeting... Aug. 13,...Moore 1st
Youth EncampmentAug. 3-7, 1964
Registration.....Aug. 2, 1964
Evangelist..... Rev. Wade Jernigan

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Ralph Hampton, 1111 E. 11th, Shawnee...1961-66
L. A. Yandell, 29 S.E. 57, Ok.City....1960-65
Dennis O'Donnell, 1420 S. Okfuskee...1959-64
Wewoka, Okla.
Roma Stewart, 108 S. Rangeline.....1963-68
Tecumseh, Okla.
Lawton Hurst, Rt.3, Norman.....1962-67

PLANNING BOARD

Floyd Cash, 536 Douglas, Shawnee.....1960-65
Charley Furgeson, 1620 SW 52, Ok.City.1961-66
Lowell Bates, Norman.....1963-64
Orville Carpenter, Rt.4 Norman.....1963-68
Lawrence Venis, 1413 State St.....1963-67
Seminole, Okla.

CREDENTIAL BOARD

E.E. Morris, 1353 SW 63, Okla. City...1963-64
Robert Duncan, 817 NE 25, Ok. City....1963-68
Lonnie DeVault, 2713 SW 33, Ok. City..1962-65
Joe Blair, 336 NW 2nd, Moore.....1963-66
Clyde Argo, Rt. 3, Norman, Okla.....1963-67

LEAGUE BOARD

Kermit Argo, Box 22, El Reno, Okla....1962-66
Bob Fellowwill,.....Norman, Okla,....1960-65
Floyd Vulgamore, Box 841, Seminole....1959-64
Jack Richie, 304 W. Monroe, Purcell...1963-68
Loy Saivers, Norman.....1962-67

MISSION BOARD

Albert Collier, 4220 SE 41, Ok.City...1961-66
Kermit Argo, Box 22, El Reno, Okla....1960-65
Dennis O'Donnell, 1240 S. Okfuskee
Wewoka, Okla.....1959-64
John Williams, Box 2, 111 1st St.....1963-68
M. B. Lunsford, Okla. City, 234 SE 42..1962-67

STATE GENERAL BOARD MEMBER

Rev. Bill Bratcher, Rt.3 Box 32, Shawnee, Okla

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

Bill Bratcher, Rt. 3, Box 32, Shawnee...1962-66
Lester Maynard, Okla. City.....1962-65
Ed Warner, 936 SW 2nd, Moore, Okla....1959-64
L. D. Yandell, 2607 SW 34, Ok. City...1963-68
Jack Cravens, Rt. 2, Lexington.....1962-67

STATE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Rev. N. R. Smith, 4801 S. Walker, Okla... City

LEAGUE OFFICERS

Sponsors.....Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Davault
President.....Ricky Duncan
Vice-President.....Danny Yandell
Recording Secretary.....Judy Borden
Corres. Secretary.....Nora Mae Jernigan
Song Leader.....Richard Tate
Pianist.....Linda Williams
Camp Ground Director.....Rev. Albert Collier
Assistant Director.....Rev. Joe Blair
Pre-Teen Director.....Rev. Bob Duncan
Pre-Teen Asst. Director.....Rev. James Murray
Evangelist.....Rev. Wade Jernigan

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President..Edna Davault, 2713 SW 33, Okla. Cy
Vice-Pres.....Mildred Cash, 536 N. Douglas,
Shawnee, Okla.
Program Chairman...Cora Bruce, 1413 Hollywood
Norman, Okla.
Youth Chairman..Hallie Lewis, 932 SW 2, Moore
Study Course....Helen Chaffin, 1593 N. Eureka
Seminole, Okla.
Recording Sec...Melba Spears, 3121 SE 21, City
Personel Service..Ruth Hawkins, 2927 SW 54,
Okla. City
Corres. Sec....Ruth Morris, 1353 SW 63, City
Treasurer...Nettie Lou Jernigan, 625 E. Frank
Norman, Okla.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Moderator.....Rev. Albert Collier
Chairman of Executive Board. Rev. L. Yandell
Executive Treasurer.....Rev. N. R. Smith

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Chad Russ....J.D. Williams....Floyd Vulgamore

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Fay Ruth Hawkins...Anna Akin...Evalena Ballard

DIVINE SERVICE

Mr. Straughn,...L. C. Webber.....Les Goodman

AUDITING

Othel Runyan...Mr. Straughn.....Duane Wilson

STATE DELEGATES

SW Okla. City. - Jane Underwood.....Purcell,
Evalena Ballard....Sunnylane, Juanita Collier
Wolf, Ronnie Siler....Springhill, Lucille Cra-
ven.....S. Sae Moore, Mrs. Charles Moyer.....
Trinity, Ruth Morris....Capitol Hill, Darlene
Miller....Spencer Road, Fern Duncan.....St.
Street, Norman, Fay Ruth Hawkins.....Pleasant
Hill, Ezekiel Hanna....Shawnee 1st, Mildred
Cash....Central Ave., Melba Spears...Tecumseh
John Williams....NW Okla. City, Marie Murray..
Seminole, Doris Vulgamore....NE Shawnee, Cladie
Johnson....Norman 1st, Dale Vanderburg.....
Glendale, Velma Sanders. No delegates from
Liberty, Moore 1st, El Reno and Minneha.

LOCAL DELEGATES TO DISTRICT MEETING

Capitol Hill..Lois Owen, Harold Owen Sr, Velma
Taber

Central Ave...Pat Adams, Ruth Gill, Willie Hall
Minneha..Gladys Sparks, Ella Baldwin, Claud
Baldwin

Moore 1st..Bonnie Murphy, Genevie Barnard,
Eunice Rice

Norman 1st..James Wilson, Dale Vanderburg,
Bob Followwill

NE Shawnee..Cladie Johnson, Mary Williams,
Harold Haas

NW Okla. City..Barbara Enterline, Marie
Murray, Lillian Wade.....

Pleasant Hill..Edd Williams, Martha Williams,
Mrs. Robert Williams

Purcell..Evalena Ballard, Alvin Ballard, Ray-
mond Murray

LOCAL DELEGATES CONT'D

Seminole...Ma* Goodman, Bonnie Knight, Doris
Vulgamore
Shawnee 1st...Ruth Jones, Lucille Hampton, Mil-
dred Cash
Spencer Rd...Fern Duncan, Helen Bryan, Bill
Storts
Springhill...Lucille Craven, Dessie Scott, Trula
Thompson
Southside Moore....Francis Scott, Mary Craig,
Carolyn Tuckett
SW Okla City...Jane Underwood, Jo Smith, Sis.
W. Land
Straight St...Sheila McCarthey, Fay Hawkins,,
Ada Garner
Sunnyside...Junita Collier, Lena Sweet, John
Sweet
Tecumseh...Anne Kin, Lizzie Boyd, Ida Stewart
Trinity....Lorene Borden, Peggy Blackburn
Wolr...Ollie Howell, Myrtle Kiker, Alnita Young

CHURCH CLERKS

Capitol Hill...Jacqueline Peters, 6007 NW 56,
Oklahoma City
Central Ave....Melba Spears, 2121 SE 21, City
Glendale...Velma Sanders, 19001 White Oak, Rd.
Edmond, Okla.
Minneha....Mrs. E. L. Staggs, 1028 S. W. 30,
Oklahoma City
Moore 1st,, Sharon Vooten, 205 E. Main, Moore
Norman 1st...Martha Miller, 527 E. Frank, Norman
N.E. Shawnee...Vera Williams, 2101 N. Leo,
Shawnee, Okla.
N.W. Okla. City....Mrs. Doyl Dickson, 4032 N.
Libby, Okla. City, Okla.
Pleasant Hill.....Georgia Hurst, Rt. 3, Norman
Murrell...Pauline Murray, P. O. Box 134, Wayne
Seminole.....Veta Choate, Gen. Del., Seminole
Shawnee 1st...Lorene Wilkins, 4009 Blaine Rd.
Shawnee, Okla.
Spencer Rd.....Leota Wilson, Jones, Okla.
Springhill...Dorothy Murnan, Rt. 2, Lexington
Southside Moore... Linda Welch, Box 383, Moore
S. W. Okla. City....Ruth Hawkins, 2927 SW 54
Okla. City, Okla.

Straight St....Ada Garner, 1509 S. Berry Rd.
 Norman, Okla.
 Sunnyslane...Mildred Lobdell, 2103 S. Missouri
 Okla. City, Okla.
 Tecumseh.....Vivian Williams, Box 2, Tecumseh
 Trinity.....Mary Lou Davis
 Wolf.....Oriece Mc Donald, Rt. 2, Maud
 El Reno.....Ann Argo, Box 22, El Reno

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING

Friday, August 16, 1963

9:30 A.M.

Services were opened by singing "Sunlight" and "Sweetest Name I Know", led by Rev James Murray, with Judy Borden at the piano. The opening prayer was voiced by Rev. Jack Richey. Conference was declared in order by Rev. Albert Collier, our moderator. Rev. Jack Cravens read the rules of order.

Letters from churches called for and read as follows: Spencer Rd., Minneha, Seminole, Moore 1st, Sunnyslane, N.E. Shawnee, Springhill, Wolf, N.W. Okla. City, Tecumseh, SW. Okla. City, Central Ave., Shawnee 1st, Purcell, Pleasant Hill, Southside Moore, Capitol Hill, Straight St., Norman 1st, and Trinity.

Motion carried to receive the letters and seat the delegates. A report was read from the Noble Mission and accepted as information. The moderator and assistant moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Petitionary Letters called for. A petitionary letter was read from the Glendale Free Will Church of Midwest City. Motion carried to accept letter and seat the delegates.

Constitution and By-Laws Committee replacements for the day are Rev. Ralph Hampton and Rev. Jack Rickey. Visiting brethren were welcomed. Rev. Delbert Akin from Ada. Motion carried to accept resignation of Bro. Clifford Davis on the Business and Planning Committees. Rev. Don Payne was appointed by the Moderator as Parliamentarian. Recessed in prayer by Rev Ralph Hampton.

FRIDAY 11:00 A.M.

Worship Hour began with singing, "I Will Sing the Glorious Story", led by Rev. Joe Grizzle with Fay Ruth Lowkins at the piano. Rev. E. E. Morris voiced the prayer. Rev. Delbert Akin, visiting minister from Ada sang a solo, "Unworthy". Rev. Roma Stewart brought the morning message taken from Matthew 17:21-28. Dismissed for lunch and blessing ask on noonday meal by Rev. Wade Jernigan.

FRIDAY 1:15 P.M.

Afternoon services began with the song "I Feel Like Traveling On", led by Bro. Bob Followwill with Fay Ruth Hawkins at the piano. Rev. Delvert Akin led in prayer. The devotion was given by Rev. Joe Grizzle, taken from Phil. 3:14. Rev. Akin sang, "Heaven's Window". Bro. Followwill, Rev. Grizzle, and Rev. Jack Richey sang, "He Knows Just What I Need".

Motion to adjourn by 4:00 P.M. Unfinished business called for. Laws and By-Laws changes were given by Rev. Wade Jernigan. Motion carried to adopt report and lay it on table until following day.

Report from the Executive Board was given by Rev. L. A. Yendell. It was accepted. (See Reports)

League report was given orally by Bro. Bob Followwill.

Rev. Lonnie Sparks, missionary to Africa spoke on the Translation of the New Testament for the people there. Scripture Acts 2:1-11 was used.

Report of the Obituary Committee accepted and all stood in a moment of silent prayer concluded by Rev. Lonnie Davault. (See reports)

The Divine Service report was given and accepted. (See reports)

Motion was properly sustained that we accept Item I, II, and III of the Business Comm. Report.

A report on our Oklahoma Bible College was given by the President, Rev. Don Payne.

Motion to adjourn. Dismissed in Prayer by Bro. L. D. Williams.

SATURDAY AUGUST 17th

9:00 A.M.

The services began with singing, "Heavenly Sunlight", led by Bob Followwill, with Judy Borden at the piano. Rev. Wade Jernigan led the opening prayer. Rev. Ralph Hampton was nominated for Assistant Moderator for the day.

Motion carried to bring last item of business from the Table.

Motion carried to delete from from Art. 11 of the By-Laws, the statement beginning "and will not seat..etc.," and a period be after the word "conference". Motion properly sustained it lay on table until November Quarterly Conference.

Motion to bring from the Table the By-Laws and Constitution changes. Carried.

Motion carried to accept the Constitution, and By-Laws changes.

Visitors were welcomed. Rev. D. Dipboye was asked to speak. He gave a report on Superannuation Insurance. Motion carried to recess until 1:15 p.m. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Dennis O'Donnell.

SATURDAY 11:00 A.M.

Worship Hour began with songs, "Come Unto Me", and "Send the Light", led by Bro. Followwill with Fay Ruth Hawkins at the piano. Rev. Orville Carpenter led in prayer. The congregation stood and sang one verse of "are you Washed in the Blood". Bob and Fern Duncan sang, "In Times Like These". Rev. Jack Richy brought the morning message taken from Luke 12:31-32, entitled "Service and Humility".

Dismissed and blessing ask on noonday meal by Bro. Lawton Hurst.

SATURDAY 1:00 P.M.

Services opened with song, "When the Roll Is Called up Yonder", led by Bro. Followwill, with Fay Ruth Hawkins at the piano.

Rev. Chad Russ voiced the prayer.

Treasurers Report given and accepted. (See Reports) Motion carried to charge off the shortage of \$22.85 that shows on the Treasurers books of Aug. 17, 1963. Motion carried to give Treasurer a rising vote of thanks.

Motion accepted to receive Mission Board Report.

League Report given and accepted as information. (See reports.)

Auditing Report accepted that they meet with the Treasurer before next Conference and Audit the books and report then.

Business Committee Item LV and V carried. (See Reports.)

Divine Service Report of Speakers for the next year carried. (See Reports)

Motion carried to accept Item I and II of the Credential Board Report. (See Reports)

Rev. Wade Jernigan spoke on National Home Missions.

Rev. Lonnie Davoult spoke on Foreign Missions.

Miscellaneous Business called for: Motion carried to divide the youth camp into Teens and Pre-Teens. Motion carried that the Executive Board be able to borrow up to \$2,500 in the building of two shower houses. Motion carried to cease discussions.

Motion carried that caretakers salary be raised to \$125 a month.

Motion to elect Director and Assistant Director for Youth Camp carried. Director and Assistant Director for the Teens were Rev. Albert Collier and Rev. Joe Blair. Director and Assistant for the Pre-Teens were Rev. Bob Duncan and Rev. James Murray.

Motion to Abrogate the Finance Committee carried. Motion to print the minutes as is was accepted. Motion accepted to Adjourn Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Roma Stewart.

Rev. Albert Collier, Moderator

Mrs. Helen Chaffin, Clerk.

PETITIONARY LETTER

We the Glendale Free Will Baptist Church 10908 East Reno, Midwest City, Okla., petition The First Oklahoma Association for membership.

We send as our delegates, our beloved sisters: Velma M. Sanders and Dovie Yandell, whom we pray you to receive to sit with you in your deliberations.

State of religion, fair; members received this year, eleven; the total membership, 24; condition of Sunday School, excellent; we are exceeding our membership every Sunday.

Our Church was organized in July 1959 by Rev. Cecil E. Harmon, in his garage at 2205 N. Avery, Oklahoma City, Okla. Therefore, we pray that you may receive us into your fellowship at this time.

Done by order of Glendale Free Will Baptist Church, assembled in conference this 31 day of July, 1963.

We are enclosing a check for the sum of \$7.00 for minutes.

Very Truly yours,
L.D. Yandell, Moderator
Velma M. Sanders, Clerk

ASSOCIATIONAL TREASURER'S YEARLY REPORT

AUG. 1, 1962 to JULY 31, 1963

Receipts:

Pleasant Hill	\$922.60	Purcell	\$ 841.33
Woman's Aux.	25.00	Youth Camp	1,289.25
NW Okla. City	656.63	Shawnee 1st	146.28
Moore 1st	824.03	Central Ave.	3,080.16
Barney Mangham	25.00	League Rally	71.84
Straight St.	335.69	Seminole Potts	20.00
Campground Rent	120.00	Norman 1st	3,674.82
Capitol Hill	7,219.20	Seminole 1st	245.83
G.L. Hurst	70.00	SW Ok. City	237.00
Palmer Offering	130.85	Dele. & Min.	654.75
SS Moore	261.00	El Reno 1st	263.24
Spencer Rd.	268.50	Spring Hill	394.04
Sunnylane	324.24	Tecumseh	932.63
Wolf	306.00	Larry Hampton	1.50

TREASURER'S REPORT CONT'D

RECEIPTS

R.C. Hampton	\$ 18.00	L.A. McMurray	12.00
Okla. Elec. Coop	21.62	Albert Collier	25.00
Noble Mission	156.40	League	209.83
Leona Abram	5.00	J.C. Mosley	5.00
Missionary Conf	641.41	C.V. Bruce	100.00
NBC Choir Prog	175.06	Dist. Master Men	51.79
Hawaii Land	50.88	Joe Grizzle	25.00
Juanita Venis	5.00	Youth Fel'ship	150.00
Mission. Rally	282.60	Other	358.00
		TOTAL	\$25,664.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Coop Program and		Mileage	113.40
Allocations	\$21,595.14	Supplies	15.54
Ariz. Mission	7.00	League Rally	45.34
O.B.C.	1,040.00	Mission. Rally	4.42
State (Sup.)	32.43	Whaley Wagon	265.15
Nat'l League	33.00	Min. & Prog.	89.50
N.B.C.	172.06	Meds' & Clerks	40.00
League Tithes	28.17	Misc.	20.15
	\$22,907.80		\$ 1,745.29

CAMPGROUND UPKEEP:

Meissner Sal.	1,300.00	Total Dis.	\$26,767.02
Ins. State	253.21	Bal. Fwd.	
Butane	72.68	Aug. 1, 62	2,135.45
Ok. Elec. Coop	133.05	Total Rec.	25,664.00
Gasoline	12.50		27,799.45
Repair & Sup.	256.83	Total Dis.	26,767.02
Vandever Oil	14.96	Bal. On Hand	\$ 1,032.43
Hey Electric	67.70	Bal. Acc. to	
	\$2,113.93	Check Book	1,009.68
		Shortage	\$ 22.85

OTHER EXPENSES:

Youth Camp	861.52	Bal. Fwd.	1,009.68
Mrs. Meissner		Designated	400.00
(Grec. etc.)	290.27	Balance	609.68

Aug. 1, 1963

MINUTE MONEY AND DELEGATE FEE

Spencer RD....\$ 15.00	Central Ave...\$ 20.00
Minneha..... 15.00	Shawnee 1st... 20.00
Seminole..... 20.00	Furcell..... 20.00
Moore 1st..... 15.00	Pleasant Hill. 20.00
Sunnylane..... 20.00	SS Moore..... 10.00
NE Shawnee.... 20.00	Capitol Hill,.. 20.00
Springhill.... 20.00	Straight St... 20.00
Wolf..... 20.00	Norman 1st.... 20.00
NW Okla. City. 20.00	Trinity..... 20.00
Tecumseh..... 20.00	Glendale..... 20.00
SW Okla. City. 20.00	
TOTAL TURNED TO ASSN. TREASURER.....\$395.00	
Helen Chaffin, Clerk	

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Item I - Be it resolved that the standing committees serve through the Association and new committees be elected at the close of the session to serve the Quarterly Meetings and through the next Association. This will require the election of all standing committees at the close of this present session.

Item II - Be it resolved that the Association plan a five year building program for the Camp Ground. The first year build two shower houses and replace one dormitory. Then replace one dormitory a year until the program is complete. The fifth year replace the cafeteria. This program to be financed on a recommended assessment program. Each church be recommended to adopt the program and pay their pro rata share.

Item III - Seeing that there is no Article in our Articles of Faith dealing with the second Coming, we recommend the following Article. Make this Article Number Nine and change the numbers of the other Articles accordingly. "No. 9 - The Lord Jesus who ascended on high sits at the right hand of God, will come again to close the Gospel Dispensation,

glorify His saints, and judge the world. (We hold that the foregoing statement is an a-millennium view of the Second Coming of Christ. (Chapter XX National Treatise.)"

Item IV - Be it resolved that the First Oklahoma Association recommend to the State Association that Article VII of our Articles of Faith become the Article pertaining to the Ordinances in our State Articles of Faith. "Baptism (The immersion of believers in water) The Lords' 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, 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. Lords's Supper: Mark 14:17; Matt. 26:34; I Cor. 11:23, 34. Feet Washing: John 13:4, 7; John 13: 12-14.

Item V - Be it resolved that we discontinue the night services of the Association.

CREDENTIAL BOARD

Item I - We the Credential Board recommend the extending of the licenses of Bro. Kenneth Seikman, Bro. Clarence Bruce, and Bro. Charles Kirtley. We also recommend the licenses to preach the Gospel for one year, Bro. John Staggs and Bro. Lloyd Plunkett.

Item II - These are the ones who turned in ministers cards reports: Clarence Bruce, J. D. Williams, Robert Duncan, James Murray, Eugene Hawkins, Gary Myers, William Bratcher, Louis Wickham, George Pettyjohn, J. R. Hall, C.B. Russ, Lonnie Davoult, R.C. Hampton, James A Owen, Jack Richey, Roma Stewart, Floyd Vulgamore, Orville Carpenter. We recommend that we go back to our local churches and encourage those who have not turned their cards in to be sure and send it to our Association Clerk.

DIVINE SERVICE COMMITTEE

We the Divine Service Committee recommend

Rev. Jack Richey for the Saturday morning speaker and Rev. Ralph Hampton to bring the Friday Night Message.

We recommend the following speakers for the coming year; November 1963 - Rev. Floyd Vulgamore; February 1964 - Rev. James Murray; May 1964 - Rev. Bill Bratcher; Introductory speaker for Aug. 1964 - Rev. Ed Morris, and Rev. Joe Blair for Saturday morning speaker.

AUDITING COMMITTEE

We the Auditing Committee recommend we meet with the Treasurer and audit the books and report at the next quarterly Meeting.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We the Obituary Committee are sad to report deaths in our association. Capitol Hill Mrs. Hattie Burroughs, Rev. Will Bean, Mrs. G. I. Gideon; Spring Hill - Mrs. Lizzie Van-Winkle, Ben Greenwood; Sunnyside - Carter Vaughn, Daddy Roberts; Tecumseh - Rev. A.B. Epperson, Mrs. Nellie Wilsie; Wolf - C.R. Siler, John Winfrey; Norman 1st - Mrs. J. H. Gay, Mrs. Robert McAlister, Mrs. Victoria Halstead; Pleasant Hill: G.W. Argo; Shawnee 1st - Mrs. L. A. McMurray; Seminole: William DeHert. The congregation stood in a moment of silent prayer in remembrance of these our Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

LEAGUE RALLY REPORT

The First Oklahoma Association League Rally convened at the Campground, Aug. 9, 1963. We wish to report an enrollment of 184 in our Youth Encampment. Blessings from Heaven was upon each service with 30 decision being made for Christ.

The following officers for the coming year were elected: President - Ricky Duncan; Vice-Pres. - Danny Yandell; Rec. Secretary - Judy Borden; Cor. Sec. - Nora Mae Jernigan; Song Leader - Richard Tate; Pianist - Linda Williams; General Sponsors - Rev. Lonnie and Sis. Edna Davault; Evangelist - Rev. Wade Jernigan.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY MINUTES

The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Oklahoma Association met for their Yearly Convention, August 15, 1963, at the Southwest FWB Church in Oklahoma City.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Sis. Edna DeVault. Theme for the program was: "Tangled Threads", with Scripture from Pro. 22:6. Opened by group singing, led by Glenna Lewis, with Katherine Layton at the piano and Florence Howard at the Organ. Prayer by Sis. Core Bruce.

Devotion was given by Sis. Marie Murray using scripture from Ecc. 12:1,13,14. Topic #1 "Our Youth in a World of Confusion" by Esther Price.

Appointment of Committees: Resolution-Veta Choate, Fern Duncan, Lucille Hampton. Finance-Hallie Lewis, Juanita Collier, Marie Murray. Pulpit Committee - Myrna Carpentier, Ada Garner, Ruth Womack. Obituary Committee - Peggy Blackburn, Doris Vulgamore, Jo Smith.

A Petitionary Letter from the Moore First FWB Church was received. Motion made and carried to accept their Auxiliary into the District Convention. Dismissed for recess.

Worship hour was begun by singing, "The Promised Land", "Blessed Assurance". Prayer by Rev. Albert Collier. Special songs was a duet from Straight St., "I Have Found A Hiding Place", and a solo by Florence Howard, "Take My Life and Let It Be". Message delivered by Rev. E. E. Morris. Dismissed for noon hour.

One O'Clock service opened by singing "Jesus Saves". Prayer by Rev. Lonnie DeVault.

Offering received of \$10.72.

Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Sparks, Missionaries to Africa, delivered a short message.

Declamation Contest was presented by the Youth Chairman, Sis. Hallie Lewis, with the following contestants: GTA - Susan Peters, Capitol Hill, "Other Sheep I Have". YPA - Marilyn Williams, Norman, "You Ask Me Why" and Earlene McPherson, Capitol Hill, "This It Be-hooved Christ to Suffer".

Susan Peters, GTA winner and Marilyn Williams, YPA winner will represent the youth in the State Contest in October.

Combined reports of the Secretary was read.

Committee reports as follows:

Appreciation: We recommend that we give the host church a standing vote of thanks for the nice lunch, table arrangements and beautiful lapels. Also to Bro. Morris for the good message. Also the Program Chairman for the fine program. Report Accepted.

Pulpit Committee: We would like to ask Rev. Jack Richey to be our speaker on Nov. 14 1963 and Rev. James Murray as alternate.

Finance Committee: We the Finance committee recommend that this District Woman's Auxiliary buy a studio couch for the Lonnie Sparks, Missionaries to Africa. Starting with a special offering today. Motion carried to give \$25.00 out of Treasurer.

Obituary: The Obituary Committee report two deaths the past year: Sis. Hattie Burrough and Sis. Sue Gideon from Capitol Hill.

Resolution: Item 1 - that host church furnish pianist and Choir Director and Nursery attendant at our Auxiliary Meetings.

Item 2 - That our District Project continue to be books for our Bible College.

Item 3 - That our recording secretary's be encouraged to realize the importance of accurate records to be sent to our District Secretary.

Item 4 - We have a District Workshop with separate classes to help our newly organized Auxiliaries learn their duties of their offices they hold. Each resolution voted on separately and each carried.

The following Churches were voted on by acclamation for meeting places next year. November 14, 1963 - Trinity; Feb. 13, 1964 - Norman 1st. May 14, 1964 - N.W. Oklahoma City, August 13, 1964 - Moore 1st.

Brief report of National Meeting by Sis. Edna DeVault. Rev. Don Payne gave a brief

Report on our Bible College.

Nominating committee report read. Each office voted on separately with nominations from floor. Officers elected as follows: President - Edna DeVault; Vice Pres. - Mildred Cash; Prog. Chair. - Cora Bruce; Study Course Helen Chaffin; Corres. Sec. - Ruth Morris; Rec. Sec. - Melba Spears; Treasurer - Nettie Lou Jernigan; Personal Ser. - Ruth Hawkins; Youth Chairman - Hallie Lewis. (Addresses on page 3)

Installation of officers was given by Sis Ruth Morris.

There were 110 registered with 13 Auxiliaries represented.

Motion to adjourn.

Moderator, Edna DeVault

Rec. Sec., Melba Spears

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

The Executive Board of the First Okla. Ass. submit the following report to the annual meeting.

The Board met at Moore, Okla., upon the request of the Southside Mission and officiated in the organizational meeting of the Southside Free Will Baptist Church of Moore, Okla. Rev. Charles Moyer was elected as pastor of the church.

The Executive Board met with the Portland Ave. Mission of Okla. City, Okla., upon request of the Mission to assist in the organizational meeting of the Trinity Free Will Baptist Church. Rev. E. E. Morris was elected as pastor.

Upon a directive from the Quarterly Meeting, the Executive Board proceeded to investigate reported irregularities in the Liberty Free Will Baptist, which was reported by an agrieved group from said church. Repeated efforts was made to conduct a hearing with both factions. The last scheduled meeting was called off by the spokesmen of the agrieved

group, and both factions stated nothing could be accomplished by a letter meeting. It is the firm conviction of this Board that the Church, if possible, should solve her own problems. We are of the opinion that the Liberty Church is taking steps toward this goal.

The Board met at Tecumseh, Okla., June 21, 1963. In this meeting the problems of the well at the campground were discussed. Due to the busy summer activities, the Board thought it best to purchase a new pump and pipe for the well. This action was taken and the work completed before the encampments began. Also a motion carried that the Building Committee proceed with installations of temporary heating for showers.

Renting Campground facilities was discussed. A motion carried granting the Chairman of the Executive Board authority to rent Camp facilities to other groups at the regular rate of \$50.00 Per day, and on contract agreement.

A Petitionary Letter was received from the Trinity Free Will Baptist Church in Okla. City, Oklahoma. A motion carried to accept the Trinity Free Will Baptist Church into the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist.

TRINITY FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

5400 South Blackwelder

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Rev. E. E. Morris, Pastor

June 19, 1963

TO THE FIRST OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD,

Our Church has been regularly organized by the Executive Board of the First Oklahoma Assn. and we therefore, pray you receive us into your fellowship at this time.

Done by Order of Trinity Free Will Baptist Church, assembled in conference this 19 day of June, 1963.

Moderator, E. E. Morris

Clerk, Donna Campbell

MISSION REPORT

We the Noble Free Will Baptist Mission would like to report that our Mission effort at Noble is doing very well. Our average attendance in Sunday School for the last month was 24. Our building program is doing very well. We hope to move into our building in the next two months. We covet your prayers.

Pastor, Joe Grizzle

Clerk, Mary McAllister

FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

Minutes of the First Quarterly Meeting, when convened at the Campground Nov. 17, 1962.

Services began with the song, "Showers Of Blessings," with Rev. E.M. Kennedy at the Piano and Rev. Dennis O'Donnell as song director. The congregation was led in prayer by Bro. Scaggs. The hymn, "I Love to Tell The Story" was then sung. Rev. Roma Stewart led in prayer.

We were called into conference by our Moderator, Rev. Albert Collier. Letters were called for and read with motion carried to accept the letters and seat the delegates.

Churches reporting were: Sunnyslane, Tecumseh, Wolf, Springhill, Shawnee 1st, El Reno Minneha, Pleasant Hill, Moore 1st, Seminole, Norman 1st, Spencer Rd., NW Okla. City, Capitol Hill, SW Okla. City, Straight St., Central Ave., Purcell, NE Shawnee, and an oral report was given from the Southside Mission at Moore. There was \$90.00 delegate fees turned to treasurer. (Liberty Church did not send letter or fee. Straight St. did not pay fee.)

The Moderator and Asst. Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Rules of order were then read by the Asst. Moderator, Rev. Jack Cravens.

A Letter of information was read from the Southside Mission at Moore. Motion to record in our minutes that they sent their report and the report was received.

Committees were then appointed:
Credential - Bro. Barney Mangham and Bro. Roma Stewart. Business - Rev. Lonnie Davoult and Rev. Ralph Hampton.

Treasurers report was given by Rev. E. M. Kennedy. Motion to receive report as read. Carried.

Motion made to get our minutes mimeographed in booklet form. Carried.

Item I - We the Credential Board Recommend Bro. Don Cox be granted an extension of license to preach the gospel. Carried.

Executive Board report was given by Rev. Ralph Hampton. The Board met to appoint a man to finish Rev. Danny Parkers term since he was leaving our Association. Rev. E.M. Kennedy was appointed to serve out his term as treasurer.

Report was given by Rev. Don Payne the President of Oklahoma Bible College for the college.

Visiting Brethren seated were: Rev. Delbert Akin of Ada, Rev. Ernie Deeds, our Missionary to Brazil, and Rev. Jack Richey of Hopewell No. 2.

Motion carried to buy a page in the Annual for the Oklahoma Bible College.

Motion carried to adjourn until 1:30 p. m. Rev. E.M. Kennedy dismissed in prayer.

11:00 WORSHIP HOUR

Worship hour began with singing "Count Your Blessings" with Rev. Kennedy leading and Sis. Eunice Lunsford at the piano. Rev. Bob Duncan then led in prayer. The song "Make Me a Blessing" was sung. Rev. Delvert Akin sang a special titled, "Heaven's Window". Rev. Joe Grizzle led "Amazing Grace". He then brought the morning message, taken from Matt. "1:21-22, I Kings 18:36-38. It was an inspiring message. Dismissed in prayer and blessing ask on noonday meal by Rev. Akin.

1:30 p.m.

Began singing with, "When We all Get To

Heaven". Rev. Floyd Vulgamore led the opening prayer.

Rev. Ernie Deeds spoke to us about his going to Brazil as our missionary this coming march.

Announcement was made that 34 students in our Bible Collage are from the First Oklahoma Association.

Reports were called for.

Report was given and accepted as read from the Ladies Auxiliary Convention which met at the Central Ave. Church.

Mission Board report was given and accepted. Rev. Albert Collier was elected as Chairman of this Board. Rev. Dennis O'Donnell as Clerk. Motion was made that all undesignated money in the bresure be given one-half to foreign and one-half to National Missions.

Item II - We the Credential Board recommend Bro. Dearll Goodman be granted an extension of license to preach the gospel. Carried.

Item III - We the Credential Board recommend Bro. Fred Guidry be granted an extension of license to preach the gospel. Carried.

Books for National Assn. of FWB was taken by these churches. Shawnee 1st, Norman 1st Spring Hill, Moore 1st, Pleasant Hill, Capitol Hill, Seminole, NW Okla. City, Central Ave., and Spencer Road.

Rev. Wade Jernigan spoke for National Home Missions.

Item IV - We the Credential Board recommend Bro. Eugene Hawkins be given license to preach the gospel for one year. Carried.

Rev. Eddie Payne, our missionary to Africa from Oklahoma, spoke for us. He and his wife will be going soon. She is a Registered Nurse who will be helping Dr. Miley in the Hospital there.

A Quartet by Rev. Kennedy, Rev. Jernigan, Rev. O'Donnell, and Rev. Jack Cravens sang "Each Step I Take", with Sis. Lunsford at the piano.

Tecumseh Church offered to lend one coffee urn for the next Quarterly Meeting.

Dates were taken by Rev. Eddie Payne to speak at different churches. Churches inviting him were: Shawnee 1st, Moore 1st, Pleasant Hill, Noble, and El Reno.

Item V - We the Credential Board recommend Bro. Marvin Mills, of still in District, to return in three months for license according to request of his home church. Carried.

Item VI - We the Credential Board recommend Bro. L. C. Webber be ordained as a Deacon to serve at the pleasure of the Church. Carried.

Motion to adjourn carried. Dismissed with prayer by Rev. L. A. Yandell.

Albert Collier, Moderator
Helen Chaffin, Clerk

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

Services began with singing, "The Roll is Called Up Yonder", led by Bro. B. H. Tabor, with Sis. Eunice Lunsford at the piano. Bro. Lawton Hurst voiced the opening prayer. "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms", was then sung.

Rev. Don Payne brought our morning Devotional titled "Launch Out and Be Fisher's of Men". Rev. Lonnie Davault led in prayer.

Letters called for by Moderator. Letters read and accepted and delegates seated from the following churches: Shawnee 1st, Sunnylane, Wolf, Pleasant Hill, Tecumseh, Central Ave., Purcell, NE Shawnee, Norman 1st, Spring Hill, Capitol Hill, Straight St., N.W. Okla. City, SW Okla. City, Spencer Road., Seminole Moore, and El Reno. Moderator and Assistant Moderator gave the right hand of fellowship to the delegates to the Convention.

Report of the Southside Mission at Moore was given as information.

Letters from the Minority of the Liberty Church read. Motion to accept letter and a committee investigate the situation there. Motion carried that the Executive Board be this committee.

Information on the Noble Mission was read. Resolution Committee appointed by the Mod-

erator and Asst. Moderator were: Trula Thompson and B. H. Tabor.

Visiting Brethren seated were: Rev. Don Payne, and Rev. Lewis Perry. Other visitors welcomed.

In the absence of Bro. Gerald Mangham, Rev. Floyd Vulgamore was appointed to serve on the Credential Board.

Rev. L. A. Yandell resigned from the Sunday School Commission, Credential Board, and Executive Board. It was accepted with an amendment to retain him on the Executive Board.

Rev. Lonnie Devault was nominated to replace Rev. Yandell on the Credential Board. Elected by acclamation.

Rev. N. R. Smith, Executive Secretary gave a report on our state work.

Bro. Tabor led "Amazing Grace". Bro. George Pettyjohn dismissed for recess in prayer.

11:00 a.m.

The worship Hour began with singing, "Come And Dine", let by Bro. Tabor with Sis. Lunsford at the piano. Rev. Joe Blaise led in prayer. The song "He Lives" was sung by the congregation. The Lunsford family sang, "Each Step I Take". Rev. J. R. Hall brought the morning message taken from Gen. 26:18,19 entitled "Spring of Living Water". Dismissed for noonday meal with blessing ask on meal by Rev. Bob. Duncan.

1:00 p.m.

Afternoon services began with singing "Jesus Saves", with Bro. Tabor leading and Sis Lunsford at the Piano. Prayer was then voiced by Rev. Bill Bratcher. Song "After the Toil and The Heat of The Day", was sung by Bro. Gary Myers.

The Moderator then introduced our Missionary to Wyoming, Rev. and Mrs. Lewis Perry. Sis Perry brought our afternoon Devotional from Phil. 3:10. Rev. Perry spoke using I Pet. 2: 21.

Rev. Don Payne spoke for the Okla. Bible

College. Information that \$23,000.00 was already given on land for the college.

Treasurers report read and accepted.

Motion carried to give Melba Spears a standing vote of thanks for typing stencils for our minutes. All rose to their feet.

Resolution Committee: Be it resolved that pastor's urge deacons to attend Quarterly Conference. Motion accepted.

Item I - We the Credential Committee recommend that Bro. Louis Wickham be ordained to preach the gospel. Carried.

Item II - We the Credential Committee recommend Bro. Joe Grizzle be ordained to preach the Gospel. Carried.

Woman's Auxiliary report given and accepted as information.

Executive Board report given by Rev. L.A. Yandell.

Vacancy made on Mission Board by Rev. E.M. Kennedy leaving the State was filled by Rev. Kermit Argo. He was elected to fill the unexpired term.

Bro. Henry Braisher was nominated to fill Rev. L. A. Yandell's place on the Sunday School Board. He was elected.

Motion carried to have clerk send names of Pastor's, Clerks, Moderator, and Clerk of the Association to the National Association, by not later than midnight Monday, Feb. 18, 1963. Motion carried to adjourn.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. M.B. Lunsford.

Albert Collier, Moderator

Hellen Chaffin, Clerk.

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

Minutes of the Third Quarterly Conference when convened at the Campground May 18, 1963.

Services began with singing, "Kneel at The Cross", with Rev. Joe Grizzle leading and Sis. Lorene Bratcher at the piano. Rev. N.R. Smith voiced our opening prayer. Song, "Rescue the Perishing" then was sung. Rev. Bill Bratcher brought the Devotional taken from

Hebrew 13:1-5.

Our business session was declared in order by our Moderator, Rev. Alvert Collier. Rev. Wade Jernigan led "Amazing Grace", then Rev. Roma Stewart voiced prayer.

Letters from the churches called for, read and accepted from the following churches: Wolf, Seminole, NE Shawnee, Capitol Hill, Central Ave., Norman 1st, Straight St., Tecumseh, SW Okla. City, Moore 1st, NW Okla. City, Spring Hill, Pleasant Hill, Sunnyslane, Liberty. Motion carried to seat the Delegates. Moderator and Assistant Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship.

Report from the Noble Mission read.

Petitionary letter read from Southside Moore. Motion made to receive letter and seat the delegates. Carried.

Visiting Brethren were seated. Rev. Luther Sanders, Hawaii; Rev. Gentry, California, Rev. Jack Richey, Duncan.

Rev. N. R. Smith spoke on our state work. Giving information on the different phases of our work.

Letters from Spencer Road and Purcell read and accepted with their delegates seated.

Rev. Luther Sanders brought us greetings from his church in Hawaii.

Bro. Gerald Mangham and Rev. James Murray was placed on the Credential Committee to replace absentees.

We were dismissed for recess by Rev. E.E. Morris.

11:00 A.M.

Worship Hour began with singing "At The Cross", led by Rev. Joe Grizzle and Sis. Linda Scott at the piano. Rev. Wade Jernigan voiced the opening prayer. The congregation then sang, "In The Sweet By and By". The Lunsford Family sang, "Lord Teach Me To Pray" and "I've Been To Calvary". The Tate Trio sang, "The Old Country Church" and "Every Hour and Every Day". Rev. Bob Duncan brought the morning message taken from John 15: 1 -8.

Dismissed in prayer and bless ask on noon day meal by Rev. M. B. Lunsford.

1:00 P.m.

Sis. Eunice Lunsford at the piano and Rev. James Murray as song leader opened our afternoon session with, "He Keeps Me Singing".

Bro. Eugene Hawkins led in prayer.

Nomination for Assistant Moderator pro-tem was opened. Rev. Wade Jernigan was elected by acclamation.

Sis Edna Davoult gave a report on "What Our Auxiliary Stands For." It was very inspiring.

Treasurers report read and accepted.

Rev. Don Payne gave a report on our Bible College with the first Commencement May 31.

Business Committee Report given and accepted. Item I - Since in recent years there has been quite a bit of contention over how a church should be supported - be it resolved that this Association go on record as approving tithes and offerings as the proper way to support.

Credential Committee Report Accepted. Item I - We recommend the ordination of Bro. Charles Riedel and Bro. Roy Warren as deacons.

Auxiliary report given and accepted as information.

Rev. James Murray gave a talk on State Missions and the Lonnie Sparks Vehicle Fund.

Rev. Burnett Lunsford gave the Mission Board Report. It was accepted.

Executive Board Report given and accepted as information.

Upon request by Rev. E.E. Morris the Trinity Church Letter was returned to him.

Motion we Esponge from the records action taken this morning concerning the Trinity Church. Motion Carried.

Offering taken for Rev. Luther Sanders, with Rev. Jernigan leading "Blest Be the Tie That Binds", while it was being taken. Bro. L. C. Webber asked the blessing on the offering.

Motion carried to adjourn. Bro. George Haas dismissed in prayer. There was \$95.00 fees turned to Treasurer.

ALBERT COLLIER, MODERATOR
Helen Cheffin, Clerk

PETITIONARY LETTER

FIRST OKLAHOMA

May 18, 1963

Greetings in Christ:

We, the Southside Free Will Baptist Church of Moore, Okla. having been properly set in order by the Executive Board of the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist, do petition this conference for membership.

We support the cooperative program of 10% plus 2% for missions. We have been engaged in two teacher training courses since our beginning and have just recently organized a Ladies Auxiliary. We covet your prayers.

Southside Free Will Baptist
Church, Moore, Oklahoma
Rev. Charles Moyer, Pastor
Linda Welch, Clerk

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 I

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

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP: This Association shall be composed of Free Will Baptist Churches which maintain Gospel order and agree with denominational doctrine and practices; and favor the

enterprises that have been endorsed by the Association.

ARTICLE III

DELEGATES: Voting members of the Association shall be ministers, deacons, members of all standing boards, officers and sponsors of the League Rally of the Association, Officers of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of the Association. Officers of the Sunday School Convention of the Association, Church clerks and three lay delegates from each local church in the Association, which shall be seated with proper credentials. There must be a majority of the member churches present for a quorum to be constituted. A written record shall be made of all transactions.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS: The officers of this Association shall be a moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, and a treasurer, which shall be elected at the annual session.

ARTICLE V

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

ARTICLE VI

BOARDS: The following standing boards shall be elected in the annual session. Each Board shall consist of five members elected so as to have one member retiring each year.

EXECUTIVE: 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 the First Oklahoma Association. The Board shall have to fill vacancies that may occur in its own body.

To this board is further delegates 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 the First Oklahoma Association is to become legally responsible. It shall be the duty of this Board to meet as often as may be necessary and any member absenting himself from three successive meetings may be dropped from the board and his successor elected. 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 Executive Board shall have power to call all the Association in conference by notifying each church ten (10) days prior to the conference and they shall have the authority to change quarterly meetings or Association if the place where said quarterly meeting or Association 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. No meeting of the Executive Board shall be legal unless at least three members are present.

PLANNING BOARD: It shall be the duty of

this board to review and supervise all future building programs and other improvement programs on the campground. This does not mean, however, that they are the building committee in said programs. This board shall be charged with the responsibility of keeping the Association informed of the needs of the camp.

CREDENTIAL BOARD: The Credential Board shall examine ministers for license and ordination. They shall, also, examine deacons sent to the Association by the member churches. This board will furnish report blanks to each minister of the Association for his annual report. The credential Board will keep the Association apprised of the failure of ministers to make an annual report.

LEAGUE BOARD: It shall be their duty to plan League Rallies of the Association. This Board shall, also, plan the annual youth encampment. Appoint cooks, dormitory sponsors, and teachers at their conveniences for the encampment at the Campground.

MISSION BOARD: The Mission Board will assist any worthy mission work within the bounds of the First Oklahoma Association. The annual Missionary Conference of the Association will be planned and supervised by the Mission Board. The mission program of the denomination shall be kept before the First Oklahoma Association and special drives shall be presented by them.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD: The Annual Sunday School Convention of the Association will be planned by the Sunday School Board. Sunday School Institutes will be taught by the board upon request by the churches of the Association. A record of courses completed by those enrolled in the institutes will be kept by this board.

ARTICLE VII

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 VIII

PROPERTY AND REAL ESTATE: Any church that is a member of the First Oklahoma Association that fails to have a pastor for two (2) 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 boards duty to take charge of this property.

ARTICLE IX

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 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 _____

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 you wife a member of Free Will Baptist Church? _____
11. How long have you been a Christian? _____
12. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? _____
13. Is you 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 your self 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 method 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 judged 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 Baptist articles of faith, I will surrender my credentials to the Quarterly Conference of which I am a Member.

Signed _____

ARTICLE X

PROVISIONS: This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present, provided amendment or alteration is presented in writing and laid on the table one day in advance.

ARTICLE XI

FEEES: Each church in the 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 scripture of the Old and New Testament 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. Eph. 5:1-19.

4. That salvation, regeneration, sanctification, 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, perservere in holiness to the end of life, have the promise of eternal salvation. Mark 13:13; Rev. 2:10.

7. Baptism (the immersion of believers in water), the Lord's Supper, and Feet Washing, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the gospel. The Lord's Supper, which is to be observed by all believers at night, is followed by the ordinance of Feet washing, which teaches humility, of universal obligation, to be practiced by all believers. Baptism: Matt. 28:19; Acts 8:36,39; Col 2:12. Lords Supper Mark 14:17; Matt. 26:34; I Cor. 11:23, 24. 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; buy every one in his own order; those who have done evil to the resurrection of damnation, and that God has appointed a day in which he will Judge the World in righteousness by Jesus Christ. I Cor. 15:34; John 5:28; I Thes. 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 21:21; I Tim. 2:5,6; John 3:16; I Peter 3:21.

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

April 6 -

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. A majority of the 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 two-thirds vote of the members present.

11. Any minister opposed to the doctrine of The Free Will Baptist as set forth in the Free Will Baptist Treaties will not be entitled to a seat in conference. (To be voted Nov. 1963)

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 this 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 the Association, Officers of the Women's Auxiliary Convention of the Association. Officers of the Sunday School Convention of the Association, three (3) lay delegates from each local church in the Association, which shall be seated with proper credentials, and Church Clerks who are members of the Free Will Baptist Church of said Association in good standing.

16. These by-laws may be amended at any annual Association by two-thirds vote of the delegates present.

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 principle 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 education 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. Letters called for, read, and received.
4. Right hand of fellowship and seating delegates..
5. Petitionary Letters called for.
6. Reading Rules of Order.
7. Invite visiting brethren to seats in Council.
8. Appointments of Committees.
9. Unfinished Business.
10. New Business.
11. Report of Committees.
12. Miscellaneous Business.
13. Election of officers.

CHURCH STATISTICS

Churches, Pastors, Addresses	Members Received	Members Dismissed	Total Membership	Paid out For Denomina- tional Work	Property Value
Capitol Hill Rev. Lonnie Davault 2713 SW 33rd Okla. City, Okla.	27	39	399	\$7,219.20	\$162,500
Central Ave. Rev. L. A. Yondell 1904 S. Central Ave. Oklahoma City, Okla.	18	5	400	3,080.16	60,000
El Reno Rev. Kermit Argo Box 22 El Reno, Okla.	4	3	17	263.24	10,000
Shawnee First Rev. R. C. Hampton 1111 E. 11th St. Shawnee, Okla.	8	1	66	146.28	35,000
Seminole Rev. Floyd Vulgamore Box 841 Seminole, Okla.	21	4	91	247.83	21,000
Purcell Rev. Jack Richey 304 W. Monroe Purcell, Okla.	19	6	82	841.33	12,000
Pleasant Hill Rev. J. D. Williams Rt. # 3 Norman, Okla.	20	3	87	922.60	6,000

N.W. Okla. City 18 39 57 \$ 656.63 \$60,000
 Rev. James Murray
 3716 N. Barr
 Okla. City, Okla.

N. E. Shawnee 6 3 91 22,000
 Rev. Bill Bratcher
 Rt. 3, Box 32
 Shawnee, Okla.

Norman First 41 17 250 3,674.82 90,000
 Rev. Wade Jernigan
 625 E. Frank
 Norman, Okla.

Moore 1st 32 26 64 824.03 40,000
 Rev. Joe Blaise
 336 N. W. 2nd
 Moore, Okla.

Sunnylane 12 14 141 324.24 27,000
 Rev. Albert Collier
 4220 S. E. 41st
 Okla. City, Okla.

Straight St. 17 4 66 335.69 49,200
 Rev. Orville Carpenter
 Rt. # 4
 Norman, Okla.

Spring Hill 2 3 75 394.04 10,000
 Rev. Jack Gravens
 Rt. # 2
 Lexington, Oklahoma

Spencer Rd. 22 0 60 268.50 35,000
 Rev. Robert Duncan
 8517 N. E. 25th St.
 Okla. City, Okla.

S.W. Okla. City 48 12 146 237.00 50,000
 Rev. J. R. Hall
 2121 S.W. 77th
 Okla. City, Okla.

Minneha	2	0	20		3,000
Rev. E. L. Staggs					
1028 S. W. 30th					
Okla. City, Okla.					

Wolf	5	6	41	306.00	9,600
Rev. Dennis O'Donnell					
1420 S. Okfuskee					
Wewoka, Okla.					

Tecumseh	15	3	242	932.63	36,000
Rev. Roma Stewart					
108 S. Range Line					
Tecumseh, Okla.					

Southside Moore	37	0	37	261.00	15,000
Rev. Charles Moyer					
217 S. Irving Dr.					
Moore, Okla.					

Trinity			85		
Rev. E.E. Morris					
1353 S.W. 63rd					
Okla. City, Okla.					

Glendale	11	0	24		
Rev. L.D. Yandell					
2605 S.W. 34th					
Okla. City, Okla.					

Liberty			63		25,000
Rev. Lester Maynard					
7420 S. Santa Fe					
Okla. City, Okla.					

