
MINUTES

OF THE

FIRST OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION

OF

FREEWILL BAPTIST

1967

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE
70th ANNUAL SESSION**

CONVENED AT
TECUMSEH CHURCH
Tecumseh, Oklahoma

OFFICERS

Moderator.....	Rev. Delbert Akin 8417 N.E. 25th, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Assistant Moderator.....	Rev. Robert Duncan 105 E. 3rd, Moore, Oklahoma
Clerk	Mrs. Mildred Cash 536 N. Douglas, Shawnee, Oklahoma
Assistant Clerk.....	Mrs. Helen Chaffin 1421 N. Eureka, Seminole, Oklahoma
Treasurer.....	Ray Martin 708 S.W. 45th, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

QUARTERLY SESSIONS

First Quarterly Session, November 17, 18, Noble, Okla.
Second Quarterly Session, February 16, 17, Lexington, Okla.
Third Quarterly Session, May 17, 18, N. W. Oklahoma City, Okla.
Annual Session, August 15, 16, 17, Straight Street, Norman, Okla.

SPEAKERS FOR QUARTERLY SESSIONS

November.....	Friday night, Rev. Joe Conn Saturday morning, Rev. Gale Gardner
February	Friday night, Rev. Lewis Wickham Saturday morning, Rev. James Cearley
May	Friday night, Rev. Kermit Argo Saturday morning, Rev. Lonnie DeVault
Annual Session .. n	Thursday night, Rev. Ralph Hampton Friday morning, Rev. Lonnie McAllister Friday night, Rev. Delbert Akin Saturday morning, Rev. James Murray

BOARDS

STATE GENERAL BOARD

1967	Rev. Louis Wickham
1968	Rev. Gayle Gardner

EXECUTIVE BOARD

1966-1971.....	Rev. Jim Cearley, Tecumseh, Okla.
1965-1970.....	Rev. Jerry Dudley, 29 S.E. 57th, Oklahoma City, Okla.
1964-1969.....	Rev. Dennis O'Donnell, Route 3, Maud, Okla.
1962-1969.....	Rev. Louis Wickham, P.O. Box 291, Moore, Okla.
1967-1972	Mr. Marvin Hawkins, 2927 S.W. 54th Oklahoma City, Okla.

CREDENTIAL BOARD

1967-1971.....	Rev. Joe Grizzle, Box 104, Noble, Okla.
1965-1970.....	Rev. James Murray, 3716 N. Barr, Oklahoma City, Okla.
1964-1969	Rev. E. E. Morris, McLoud, Okla.
1963-1968	Rev. Robert Duncan, 105 E. 3rd, Moore, Okla.
1967-1972.....	Mr. T. J. Black, P.O. Box 291, Moore, Okla.

C.T.S. BOARD

1966-1971.....	Rev. Kermit Hargo, Lexington, Okla.
1967-1970.....	Rev. Gayle Gardner, 629 W. Monroe, Purcell, Okla.
1964-1969.....	Rev. Alvin Murphy, Route 3, Norman, Okla.
1963-1968.....	Mr. Ivan VanWinkle, Lexington, Okla.
1967-1972.....	Rev. Rudell Smith, Norman, Okla.

MISSION BOARD

1966-1971.....	Rev. Roger Harwell, Route 3, Norman, Okla.
1967-1969.....	Rev. Milburn Wilson, 14008 Jeffery Drive, Edmond, Okla.
1964-1969.....	Rev. Delbert Akin, 8417 N.E. 25th, Oklahoma City, Okla.
1963-1968.....	Mr. John Williams, 111 First St., Tecumseh, Okla.
1967-1972.....	Rev. Lonnie McAllister, 4330 S.E. 41st, Oklahoma City, Okla.

MASTER'S MEN

1967-1971.....	Wyman Straughn
1965-1970.....	M. Q. Thompson
1964-1969.....	Duane Wilson
1964-1968.....	Jimmy Miller
1967-1972.....	Curtis Clanton

STATE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Rev. N. R. Smith.....	4801 S. Walker, Oklahoma City, Okla.
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WOMANS AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President.....	Willia Dean O'Donnell
Vice President.....	Marie Murray
Secretary.....	Barbra Chappell
Assistant Secretary.....	Judy Plunkett
Corresponding Secretary.....	Coleen Hufstutler
Treasurer.....	Melba Spears
Mission Chairman.....	Darlene Miller
Stewardship Prayer Chairman.....	Onalee Cearley
Study Course Chairman.....	LaBeth Myers
Personal Service.....	Leota Wilson
Field Secretary.....	Fern Duncan

EX OFFICIO

Moderator.....	Rev. Delbert Akin
Executive Board Chairman.....	Rev. Jim Cearley
Executive Treasurer.....	Rev. N. R. Smith

COMMITTEES

Business.....	Rev. Ralph Hampton, Rev. James Murray, Rev. Delbert Akin
Obituary.....	Vivian Williams, Ruth Hawkins, Billie Hurst
Divine Service.....	Lewis Sparks, Johnnie Croom, Lawton Hurst
Auditing.....	Rev. Louis Wickham, Rev. Milburn Wilson, Ivan VanWinkle

STATE DELEGATES

Marie Murray.....	Northwest Oklahoma City
Irma Jean Hall.....	Southwest Oklahoma City
Leata Wilson.....	Edmond
Mildred Cash.....	Shawnee First
Erol Hill.....	Purcell
Agnes Hinkel.....	Spring Hill
Fern Duncan.....	Moore First
Ruth Hawkins.....	Capitol Hill
Lillian Huddleston.....	Purcell
Bea Haas.....	Northeast Shawnee
Fern Ray.....	Central Avenue
Fern McAllister.....	Sunny Lane
Dorothy Akin.....	Spencer Road
Lewis Sparks.....	Tecumseh
Lela Hanna.....	Earlsboro
Betty Kating.....	Straight Street
Billie Hurst.....	Pleasant Hill
Bill Hunt.....	Trinity Oklahoma City

CHURCH LETTERS

Church	Clerks
Wolf.....	Waldon Siler
Noble.....	Mary McAlister
Plaza Towers.....	Mrs. T. J. Jones
Straight Street, Norman.....	Mary Pate
Earlsboro.....	Olin Sangster
Southwest, Oklahoma City.....	Naomi Tucker
Tecumseh.....	Vivian Williams
Lexington.....	Virgie Coles
Spencer Road.....	Sue Sligar
Sunny Lane.....	George D. Sebolt
Central Avenue.....	Melba Spears
Northeast, Shawnee.....	Vera Williams
Purcell.....	Linda Keller
Capitol Hill.....	Jerry Vanover
Moore, First.....	Edna Young
Shawnee, First.....	Mildred Cash
Southeast, Oklahoma City.....	Beulah Nevels
Pleasant Hill.....	Georgia Hurst
Spring Hill.....	Mrs. Irvin Hollowell
Norman, First.....	Martha Miller
Glendale.....	L. P. Yandell, Pastor
Grace.....	Wanda Black
Northwest, Oklahoma City.....	Mrs. Doyl Dickson
Seminole.....	Mrs. Earl Kimbel
Edmond.....	Opal Roth
Plaza Towers, Moore.....	Ruby Jones
Trinity Oklahoma City.....	Mary Mullins

MINUTES OF ANNUAL SESSION

THURSDAY NIGHT

Introductory message of 70th Annual Session

Rev. Delbert Akin, Assistant Moderator, took charge in the absence of the Moderator and called the meeting to order.

Song service was led by Jimmie Cearley of Tecumseh with Judi Akin of Spencer Road Church at the piano. Rev. Dennis O'Donnell of Wolf Church led in the opening prayer.

Missionary Lonnie Sparks of Ivory Coast, West Africa, spoke from I Peter 5:9-19 for a devotional topic.

The youth of the First Oklahoma Association Youth Choir led by Rev. Delbert Akin, sang two numbers, "I've Been to Calvary," and "Til the Storm Passes By."

The moderator introduced Rev. Robert Duncan, pastor of First Free Will Baptist Church of Moore, Oklahoma, as the messenger for the introductory message. He used the topic, "Leadership" with Exodus 18:13-24 as the text. He brought an inspiring message presenting the need for the strengthening of the local congregation through a strong program of worship, music, training and teaching.

FRIDAY MORNING

The business session of the 70th Annual Session of First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist opened by singing "Joy Unspeakable" by the congregation. Rev. Delbert Akin, song leader, Shirley Martin, pianist, Prayer by Rev. Lonnie McAllister. Greeting from Moderator, Rev. Lonnie DeVault, to the session, conference was declared open for business. Letters called for, motion made to accept same and seat the delegates carried. Motion made that a credential board examination rule be extended so that candidates may be examined, same carried. Appointments of committees to fill vacancies for this session. Moderator recognized Rev. Lonnie Sparks, Missionary from Ivory Coast, Africa. Motion to adjourn business session until 1:30.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK WORSHIP SERVICE

Service opened by singing "Jesus Saves," song leader, Rev. Delbert Akin, pianist, Shirley Martin. Prayer by Robert Grizzle. "What a Day that Will Be," by Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie McAllister, a special number. Congregation sang. Special "Close to Thee" by Rev. Joe Grizzle. Moderator introduced Rev. Lonnie Sparks as speaker. Rev. Sparks brought greetings from Africa. Rev. Sparks reading John 4-35 and Isaiah 1, using for a theme "The Power of God." Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Delbert Akin.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M. BUSINESS SESSION

Began by congregation singing "Rock of Ages" leader Rev. Delbert Akin, pianist, Shirley Martin. Prayer by John Williams. Moderator reading 133rd Psalm. Moderator called for clarification as to what the Association wished concerning the Authority of Quarterly Conference, if it would be same as the Annual. Motion made to present said question to a committee to properly present it so it could be laid on the table as it involved a constitutional change carried. Moderator appointed the Credential committee. Womans Auxilliary report read and accepted. See

reports. C.T.S. report read and accepted, see reports. Executive Board report read with recommendation that the \$1,500.00 in the bonds purchased from O.B.C., motion carried to accept same. Credential committee read and accepted Article I. See reports. Sunday School Board report read and accepted. See Reports. Business committee reported that Sunday School Board petitioned the Association to be dissolved. "Therefore," Be it resolved that Article VI, paragraph 7 of the Constitution be amended to delete that which pertains to Sunday School Board. Same accepted with the amendment be laid on the table until tomorrow. Treasurers report read and accepted. See reports. Motion to give \$500.00 to Mission accounts in deficit same to be referred to business committee until following day. Clerk of Executive Board asked that disposition of money received from Camp Ground be turned to the Treasurer and who shall have access to safety deposit box. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Lonnie DaVault.

SATURDAY MORNING

Session opened by singing "Sunlight", leader Rev. Delbert Akin, pianist, LaBeth Myers, prayer by Rev. James Murray. Rev. Rudell Smith reading I John 35 for devotion, prayer by Ray Martin. Letters from Straight Street and Wolf, and Noble read, accepted and delegates seated. Mission Board report read and accepted. See report. Motion made to take from table item I of Credential Board concerning Constitutional change of Article I. See report. Dismissed in prayer by John Williams.

SATURDAY ELEVEN O'CLOCK

Worship service opened by singing "Joy Unspeakable," leader Ray Martin, pianist, LaBeth Myers. Prayer by Bro. Workman. Special "It Took a Miracle," by Rev. Delbert Akin. Special, "Haven of Rest" by Rev. Joe Grizzle, speaker of the hour, Rev. Grizzle reading Zachius 4-6, Timothy 3-1 using for text, "Having a form of Godliness, denying the power there of," and the power of God. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Milburn Wilson.

SATURDAY 1:30 P.M.

Session opened by singing "This is My Story," leader, Rev. Delbert Akin, pianist LaBeth Myers. Prayer by Bro. Emery VanOver. Moderator reading Proverbs I. Bro. Emory Workman from O.B.C. introduced by moderator, giving a report on O.B.C. Business committed reported and accepted, see reports. Obituary committee report read and accepted, see reports. Credential Board report read and accepted, see reports. Audit committee will report at the next session. Motion made that clerk write churches that have not reported and request a report, same carried. Motion carried that Clerk send out notification of each session ten (10) days prior to same. Election of Officers, Boards and Committees, see pages 1, 2, and 3 of minutes. Motion to adjourn, dismissed by singing "Blest be The Tie," and prayer by Bro. John Williams.

MINUTE MONEY AND DELEGATE FEES

Capitol Hill	\$15.00
Central Avenue	15.00

Earlsboro	15.00
Edmond	15.00
Glendale	15.00
Grace	15.00
Lexington	15.00
Moore First	15.00
Noble	15.00
Northwest Oklahoma City	15.00
Norman First	15.00
Pleasant Hill	10.00
Purcell	15.00
Plaza Towers	10.00
Spencer Road	15.00
Spring Hill	15.00
Shawnee First	15.00
Shawnee Northeast	15.00
Seminole	15.00
Southeast Oklahoma City	15.00
Straight Street Norman	15.00
Sunny Lane	15.00
Tecumseh	15.00
Southwest Oklahoma City	15.00
Trinity Oklahoma City	15.00
Wolf	10.00
Turned to Treasurer	\$375.00

REPORTS

BUSINESS

Item I

We recommend that the Article VI paragraph seven (7) be deleted as requested by the Sunday School Board.

Item II

We recommend we accept Item I of Business Committee of November meeting as to allocation of 25% of coop receipts being held in Association be allocated as follows: General fund 10%, Missions 5%, and O.B.C. 10%.

Item III

We recommend we pay treasurer \$15.00 per month to help defray his expenses.

Item IV

Where as the Association has voted to support the Yukon Mission for a six (6) months period, be is resolved that present amount in treasury be retained until this obligation is fulfilled.

CREDENTIAL BOARD

Item I

Where as there has been some question as to the power of the Quart-

erly meetings to transact any business which rescinds or changes any action of the annual session. Be it resolved Article I of Constitution be amended to include the following: This Association shall meet four (4) times a year and one session be designated as the Annual. August session being designated as Annual.

Item II

We the Credential Board make the following recommendations:

- (1) That Ronald Siler be licensed to preach the Gospel.
- (2) That Bob Black from Grace Free Will Baptist Church be ordained a deacon.
- (3) That Fred Lamb of Edmond Church be ordained a deacon.
- (4) That Joe Edward Conn of Lexington Church be licensed to preach the Gospel.
- (5) That John R. McFarland of Earlsboro Church be ordained a deacon.
- (6) That Andy Owens of Southwest Church be licensed to preach the Gospel.
- (7) That Jimmy Cearley be ordained to preach the Gospel.
- (8) That J. B. Kating from Straight Street Church be ordained a deacon.

C.T.S. REPORT

Our C.T.S. Board has enjoyed a good year. The National Bible Bowl winners came from the Straight Street Church in our Association. We also enjoyed a large youth camp. We had 196 children enrolled. We had 59 decisions. About 25 of these were first time decisions for Christ.

We have spoken for two weeks of camp next year. The definite place and time will be announced later.

We ask that Bob Hooker be replaced as a member of our board.

TOTAL INCOME (fees and concession).....	\$1,684.56
Cheneweth & Green (piano).....	35.00
Albert Collier, evangelist	100.00
James Clearley-Cooking Staff.....	250.00
Eley Grocery.....	437.06
Coca Cola Bottling Co.	99.25
Muir's Steak Co.	135.61
Mac's Wholesale (Candy, etc.).....	108.25
A to Z Rental (cots).....	29.90
United Rental (cots).....	30.90
A & A Rental (cots & tents).....	105.35
Roman Nose Camp (rent).....	211.49
Drug Store (cash for medicine).....	2.04
Ice (cash).....	10.65

Total paid out.....	\$1,555.50
Balance on hand in Watonga State Bank	\$ 129.06
(less bank charge)	

We owe:	
Insurance	132.00
Bill Sanders (for pipe).....	1.98
Bookstore (supplies)	

The Association paid for our literature.

C.T.S. Board
Kermit Argo, clerk

EXECUTIVE BOARD ANNUAL REPORT FIRST OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

August 18, 1967

The Executive Board met seven (7) times in the past year in addition to several telephone meetings to consummate the work of this Association. The Board met at the close of the last annual session and organized, electing Rev. James Cearley as chairman and Rev. Jerry Dudley as clerk; August 29 at old campground; September 7 with the Emmanuel F.W.B. Mission at 4309 S. Agnew; October 2 at campground; November 14 with Emmanuel Mission; November 26 at Quarterly Meeting in Edmond; and May 20 at Quarterly Meeting in Seminole.

As directed by this body in last annual session at Capitol Hill F.W.B. Church, this Board sold the campground to Wagon Wheel Schools, Inc. for a total sum of \$25,000, payable in \$10,000.00 down payment with \$15,000.00 payable in five (5) equal payments of \$3,000.00 plus 5% interest per annum, with the right to prepay such balance at any time without penalty or unearned interest. On November 15, 1966 payment was received in full on down payment of \$10,000.00. Our outstanding mortgage against the property was paid in the amount of \$8,070.54 and the expenses incurred in the sale of the property was paid according to the financial report at the end of this report. The balance of \$1,729.46 was deposited in a savings account at Capitol Hill State Bank of Oklahoma City. Arrangements were completed for this bank to be the receiving agent for the annual payment with accrued interest. The note on the outstanding balance and the recorded first mortgage is filed in a safe deposit box in the Capitol Hill State Bank. Because of the nature of these documents, this Board felt it prudent to secure this safe deposit box and it can be entered by the Moderator of the Association and the Clerk of this Board.

The Quarterly Meeting referred to this Board the disposition of the 25% of the Cooperative Funds which were directed to the Associational Treasurer to secure monthly installments on the campground mortgage and the attendant expenses. The Quarterly Meeting referral contained a recommendation that 10% be retained by the Associational General Treasurer; 10% to Oklahoma Bible College and 5% to Associational Mission Board. This Board adopted the recommendation of the Quarterly Meeting. This Board sought the opinion and advice of the Quarterly Meeting and found near unanimous approval to purchasing \$1,500.00 bonds from Oklahoma Bible College and these bonds were purchased and remain in the safe deposit box.

During the May Quarterly Meeting, the Mission Board of this Association expressed a need for assistance and after consulting the Quarterly Meeting and again finding near unanimous favor, this Board gave \$250.00 to the Associational Treasurer for the Mission Board in its efforts to establish a work in Yukon, Oklahoma.

This Board met with the Emmanuel Mission at 4309 South Agnew at their request for examination for organization as a church. After our careful, prayerful consideration and thorough study of attendance, income records and potential, the Board recommended three (3) months

continuation to determine further the many factors involved in the establishment of a church. Three months later, another thorough study was made and after consideration and counsel with the pastor and all officers of the mission, the Board recommended that if this work desired to continue, that it do so in a Mission status and request the direction of the Associational Mission Board due to their small number, small income, high indebtedness, and uncertain potential. This Board was notified at a later date that this work was merged with the Grace F.W.B. Church with Grace Church receiving all members and assuming all indebtedness.

The following statement is all funds received from sale of campground properties, expenses and disposition of funds.

RECEIVED (down payment on property)		\$10,000.00
EXPENSES (incurred in sale of property)		
Mortgage Payoff	\$8,070.54	
Attorney Fee	10.00	
Board Mileage & Phone	90.62	
Southwest Title (Abstract search)	15.00	
Shawnee Abstract & Title		
(filing fee-Mortgage tax and		
Internal Revenue stamps)	45.00	
		8,231.66
Disposition of Funds		
Rent Safe Deposit Box	5.00	
Bonds from O.B.C.	1,500.00	
1st Okla. Assn. (Mission Board)	250.00	
		1,755.00
Balance in Savings Account		17.94
Received interest on deposit		4.60
	\$10,004.60	\$10,004.60

(NOTE: \$15,000.00 payable at \$3,000.00 per year at 5% interest will earn a total of \$2,150.00 niterest in its full term.)

Humbly submitted,

FIRST OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD

James Clearley, Chairman
Jerry Dudley, Clerk
Marvin Hawkins, Member
Louis Wickham, Member
Dennis O'Donnell, Member

MISSION BOARD REPORT
1966-67

The Mission Board of the First Oklahoma Association has met several times in the past year, and wishes to report a good year.

The Board sponsored the annual Missionary Conference of the churches of the Association the week of October 23-30, 1966. Most of the

churches cooperated and participated in these services. Missionaries participating included Rev. Lonnie Palmer, missionary to Ivory Coast, West Africa, Rev. Jim McClain, missionary candidate to Japan, Rev. Harvey Aguirre, missionary candidate to Mexico, and Rev. Johnny Postlewaite, home missionary to Northwestern United States. The final service of the conference was held at the Central Avenue Church in Oklahoma City on October 30, where a total of \$11,047.22 in cash and pledges was reported by churches and individuals to be paid during the year for missions. Nearly \$2,000.00 was raised in cash and pledges during the final service for Dr. Ruby Griffen, missionary to Ivory Coast, West Africa.

The dates for the annual conference this year have been set for the week of October 22-29, 1967. Speakers and services will be announced in the near future for these services. We sincerely hope that every church in the Association will be willing to cooperate and be a part of this conference.

On January 5, 1967, the Board met in Yukon, Oklahoma with a group interested in starting a new Free Will Baptist Church in that city. The meeting was held in the home of Bro. Alvin Ballard, 502 Kingston Drive, Yukon, and plans were made to start services in Bro. Ballard's home each Thursday night, beginning on Thursday, January 19. These services were continued until the last of April at which time Rev. Clarence A. Bruce was employed to act as Mission Director and regular services were started. These services have continued and are held in the Rebekah Lodge building on Main Street of Yukon. Rev. Bruce moved to Yukon in June of 1967 at which time the Board voted to hire him as a full time missionary at a salary of \$70.00 per week with a housing allowance of \$35.00 per week. The State Mission Board of Oklahoma is paying \$35.00 per week of this amount and the Mission is paying \$10.00 per week with the remainder paid by the Association. The mission has enjoyed a steady growth during this period, and plans are being made to organize the group into a new church and secure adequate property for a building as quickly as feasible. The following churches pledged support for the Yukon Mission at the quarterly meeting of the Association at Seminole in May of 1967; Glendale, \$100.00; Spencer Road, \$100.00; Norman First, \$100.00; Seminole, \$100.00; Capitol Hill, \$100.00; Edmond, \$100.00; Purcell, \$100.00; Lexington, \$100.00; Central Avenue, \$100.00; Plaza Towers, \$100.00; Wolf, \$50.00; Northwest Oklahoma City, \$100.00. The Board wishes to express its sincere appreciation for these and other churches and individuals who have supported the Yukon work. The continued support of the Association is requested.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The District Woman's Auxiliary of the First Oklahoma Association of F.W.B. met August 17, 1967, for their annual meeting at the Capitol Hill F.W.B. Church in Oklahoma City. The theme for the program was "Who Is My Neighbor."

The meeting was called to order by the President Sis. Willodean O'Donnell the welcome was given by the President. Opening prayer by Sis. Joyce Farmer, the opening song "Keys To The Kingdom" was led by

Sis. Glenna Lewis. Devotional was given by Sis. Ruth Hawkins reading from John 1:5-6. Appointment of committees to fill in today and for the next 3 months are as follows:

Resolution—Leota Wilson, Chairman, Kathern Smith and Phyllis Ainsworth. (If you have a resolution send to Leota Wilson, 10008 Jeffreys Drive, Edmond, Oklahoma; **Registration**—Marie Murray, Chairman, Gail Warner, Shirley Gardner; **Credentials**—Judy Plunkett, Chairman, Linda Oxley, Geneva Hoover; **Appreciation**—Ora Huckabee, Chairman, Helen Keller and Mildred Cash; **Finance**—Melba Spears, Chairman, Onalee Cearley and Edna DaVoult; **Obituary**—Merna Carpenter, Chairman, Joyce Rider and Eunice Lunsford. To replace a member that was absent from the Standard of Achievement Chart Judges the committee was renamed as follows: Ruth Hawkins, Chairman, Marie Murray and Joyce Farmer.

A report from the National was presented by Sis. Willodean O'Donnell. Sis. Melba Spears reported on our progress of our State projects, on money received and on each project in detail.

We were dismissed in prayer for a short recess by Rev. James Cearley.

The 11:00 worship service was opened by congregational singing led by Sis. Glenna Lewis, with Sis. Kathryn Layton and Sis. LaBeth Myers at the instruments. Sis. Marie Murray presented the attendance banner to Purcell Auxiliary who had the most auxiliary members present. A offering was received in the amount of \$13.43. A special entitled "Born To Serve The Lord" was presented by Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie McAlister from Sunnycastle F.W.B. Church. Rev. Lonnie DaVoult brought the 11:00 message entitled "Who Is My Neighbor" using for his text Luke 10:25-37. We were dismissed in prayer for our noonday meal by Sis. Dorothy Akin.

The afternoon business session was opened with singing "Follow On", Prayer by Sis. Mildred Cash. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, the annual secretary's report was also read. Sis. Melba Spears read the annual Treasurer report and reported a balance of \$128.33. Motion made and seconded that we accept the Treasurer report-carried. The nominating committee submitted their report, the report was accepted. Opportunity was given for nominations from the floor for each office. There being none the following officers were elected by acclamation.

President—Sis. Willodean O'Donnell	988 Barkley Circle, Norman
Vice President—Sis. Marie Murray	3716 N. Barr, Oklahoma City
Recording Secretary—Sis. Barbara Chappell	1217 S.W. 40, Oklahoma City
Asst. Recording Sec.—Sis. Judy Plunkett	3617 S. Quapah, Oklahoma City
Treasurer—Sis. Melba Spears	3121 S.E. 21, Oklahoma City
Cor. Sec.—Sis. Colena Huffstutlar	1717 S.W. 18, Oklahoma City
Stewardship Prayer Ch.—Sis. Onalee Cearley	108 S. Rangeline, Tecumseh
Study Course—Sis. LaBeth Myers	2828 S.W. 46 Ter., Oklahoma City
Personal Service—Sis. Leota Wilson	10008 Jeffreys Rd., Edmond
Mission Chairman—Sis. Darlene Miller	820 S.W. 67, Oklahoma City
Field Secretary—Sis. Fern Duncan	507 E. Main, Moore

Committee reports were read as follows:

Obituary—We the obituary committee request a moment of silent prayer for these our sisters in Christ that left us this past year, Sis.

Linnie Sparks, Tecumseh and Kathleen McClellan, Central Ave. Prayer led by Sis. Shirley Gardner.

Appreciation—We wish to commend the host church for their hospitality, the beautiful decorated tables, to the officers who have served so faithfully and to Rev. DaVoult for the wonderful message. We recommend a rising vote of thanks. Report accepted by rising vote.

Registration—38 members, 3 visitors, 7 ministers, 25 children—total 73. Report accepted.

Finance—We recommend that we pay \$25.00 to O.B.C. on "Project Extra". Carried.

Resolution—1. That Colena Huffstutlar, and Melba Spears be given a gift of \$5.00 each for the compilation of the history of the First Oklahoma Woman's Auxiliary District Convention. Carried.

2. That the possibility of buying a portable washing machine for O.B.C. be looked into—voted to amend the original motion to read. That we appoint a committee to look into this project—carried, committee named as Cathren Smith, Vickie Straugh and Melba Spears—carried.

Grading of the Achievement Charts were reported as follows: Central Ave. B, Capitol Hill C, Sunnyslane C.

Host churches for the coming year will be: November 16, 1967, Tecumseh F.W.B., Tecumseh; February 15, 1968, Sunnyslane F.W.B., Oklahoma City; May 16, 1968, Spencer Road F.W.B., Oklahoma City; August 15, 1968, Purcell F.W.B., Purcell.

Installation service was presented by Sis. N. R. Smith reading from John 15:4-5, afterwards a solo entitled "Lord I Need You" was presented by Rev. Delbert Akin.

There was no other business so the meeting was adjourned in prayer by Rev. Delbert Akin.

Sis. Barbara Chappell
Recording Secretary
Sis. Willodean O'Donnell
President

approved:

TREASURERS REPORT—WOMANS AUXILIARY **August 17, 1966—August 17, 1967**

Receipts:

WNAC Emphasis \$9.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 41.00
Foreign Mission	18.41	18.41
Co-Labor		118.95
Tithes and Offerings		134.34
Student Loan		40.60
Dues—1966		5.10
Back dues to National		72.85
1966-67		130.00
Bibles		48.00
Thanksgiving Week of Prayer		119.68
Christmas Week of Prayer		81.21
Easter Week of Prayer		122.33
State Project 1965-66 OBC \$26.00—		
Audio Visual \$13.00, Wash. Landls		52.00

State Project 66-67		
OBC \$152.26, Gages, \$72.55—Powell's \$68.50	303.30	
District Project—OBC Landscaping Fund	112.50	
Co-Labor Magazine (Southwest Aux.)	6.25	
Provision Linen Closet	5.00	\$1,411.52

Balance Foward		59.55
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Total Money		\$1,471.07
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Disbursements:

Speakers		15.00
WNAC Office—Supplies		8.70
Colena Huffstutler—Cor. Sec. Supplies		3.62
Stamps		1.00
Rainbow Pennant—Attendance Banner		10.00
Melba Spears—Treas. Supplies		5.00
Mrs. J. D. O'Donnell—Pres. Supplies		3.49
Southwest Free Will Baptist Aux. (Refund on money sent for Co-Labor Magazine)		6.25
Oklahoma Bible College—Ad in Harvester		25.00
Oklahoma Bible College— Landscaping Fund Project		112.50
American Bible Society—Double Bible Sunday		48.00
Foreign Mission of Free Will Baptist (\$1000 Club)		10.00
State Auxiliary Treasurer		1,093.53
WNAC Emphasis	\$ 41.00	
Linen Provision Closet	5.00	
Foreign Mission:		
Dr. Miley \$5.00, Rev. Jernigan	18.41	
Co-Labor Fund	118.95	
Tithes	13.45	
Student Loan	40.60	
Dues—Back Dues	76.25	
Dues 1967-68	102.00	
Thanksgiving Week of Prayer	119.68	
Christmas Week of Prayer	81.21	
Easter Week of Prayer	122.33	
State Project: 1965-66:		
OBC \$26—AUDIO Vi. \$13.		
Washington Land \$13	52.00	
State Project—1966-67:		
OBC Laundry Room	162.25	
Gage's Camper	72.55	
Powell's Acct.	68.50	303.30
Total Disbursements		1,342.74
Balance on Hand August 16, 1967		\$ 128.33

DIVINE SERVICE

Divine Service report the following speakers for the Sessions:

1st Quarterly Session	Rev. Joe Conn, Rev. Gayle Gardner
2nd Quarterly Session	Rev. Louis Wickham, Rev. James Cearley

3rd Quarterly Session..... Rev. Kermit Argo, Rev. Lonnie DaVault
 Annual Session..... Rev. Ralph Hampton, Rev. Lonnie McAllister,
 Rev. Delbert Akin, Rev. James Murray

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We the Obituary committee are sad to report the following deaths in our Association from:

Earlsboro, Mrs. W. B. Raesur; Capitol Hill, Mrs. Callie Ward; Central Avenue, Nannie L. A. Marr; Tecumseh, Rev. LeRoy Bowers, Minnie Belle Gaylar, Ida Maxwell, Linnie Sparks, Myrtle Trice, DeWitt French; Sunny Lane, Hayden Williams; Shawnee First, Elmo Hightower; Northeast Shawnee, Edith Shehi, Robert Webb; Lexington, Amy Manning, Bob Wolfe, Charley Kile; Norman First, John Grizzle; Straight Street, Fred Garner; Noble, Leone Whitlock; Purcell, Maude Carr; Seminole, Brother Rose, Mrs. C. W. Kidd.

We request the congregation stand for a moment of Silent Prayer in remembrance of these. Prayer by Lester Lemon.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

To the annual Association of Free Will Baptist when convened at Tecumseh Free Will Baptist Church, August 17, 18, 19, 1967.

The Sunday School Board met four times during the past year. Three of the meetings only the chairman and clerk were present. Since we could not constitute a quorum, no business could be transacted.

Since this board has not been contacted or called on for any reason for more than three years, we feel that there is not sufficient interest to maintain the organization of the board, therefore, we are recommending the board be dissolved.

Recommendation to Business Committee:

Since the Churches appear to have no need for the services of the Sunday School Board, after at least three years of inactivity, we recommend that action be initiated by this Association to dismiss this Board.

TREASURER YEARLY REPORT

Receipts For Associational Year August 1, 1966 to July 31, 1967

Capitol Hill	\$ 6,750.01
First Church, Norman	4,128.52
Northwest, Oklahoma City	1,900.61
Tecumseh	1,618.82
Purcell	1,612.09
Spencer Road	1,334.25
Sunnylane	1,273.45
Central Avenue	1,139.36
Plaza Towers	977.52
Southwest, Oklahoma City	934.09
Noble	877.43
Wolf	770.41
Northeast, Shawnee	559.13
Spring Hill	533.06
Pleasant Hill	507.24
First Church, Moore	499.63

Glendale	483.50
Straight Street, Norman	449.60
First Church, Shawnee	437.05
Southeast, Oklahoma City	337.99
Seminole	323.59
Lexington	245.84
Sickles	131.00
First Church, Edmond	112.74
Pleasant Hill, Sunday School	110.00
Grace	81.28
Yukon Mission	80.00
Trinity	49.45
Earlsboro	9.00
First Church, Oklahoma City	NONE
Income from youth camp	866.13
State Missions Board, Yukon Work	477.68
Associational Minute and Delegate money	295.00
First Oklahoma Association, Executive Board	250.00
O.B.C. Checkbook pledges	200.50
Rent from campground, 1966	225.00
Missionary Conference offering	129.63
Rev. Clarence Bruce	15.00
Juanita Venus	10.00
Clemmie Mauk	10.00
Rev. Joe Haas	10.00
Seminole Pott Royalty Company	10.00
Rev. Walker L. Hayes	5.00
C.T.S. Rally	4.40
Roy Bowring	2.50
Mrs. M. V. Hurst	2.00
TOTAL INCOME FOR YEAR:	\$31,460.45
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD FROM LAST YEAR:	39.74
TOTAL CASH TO ACCOUNT:	\$31,500.19
LESS DISBURSEMENTS FOR YEAR:	\$30,478.56
BALANCE ON HAND JULY 31st, 1967:	\$ 1,021.63

Ray Martin, District Treasurer

Disbursements For Associational Year August 1, 1966 to July 31, 1967

Loan Payments	\$ 797.52
Utilities	32.27
Salaries	1,658.55
Mileage	106.60
Maintenance	3.64
Youth Camp	1,085.30
Minutes	90.00
State Association Allocation	26,297.34
Camp Ground Insurance	100.75
Clerk and Treasurer Supplies	21.45
Miscellaneous	285.14
Total Disbursements For Associational Year:	\$30,478.56

Ray Martin, District Treasurer

MINUTES OF FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING NOVEMBER 18

Meeting opened with singing by the congregation, Gene Gibson, song leader, pianist Dorothy Forbes. Message by Rev. Danny Farmer, reading Philippians 3-8 through 11 for scripture text. Dismissed in prayer.

Saturday morning business session November 19. First Ada Association met with Edmond church, called to order by moderator Rev. Lonnie DaVault. Opened by singing "I Am Resolved," leader Rev. Delbert Akin, pianist, Rev. Kermit Argo. Rev. Dugan McDonald reading I John 5-11, 12 for devotion. Letters read and accepted and delegates seated. Business Committee replacement for this session Doyle Dixon. Report of C.T.S. Board read and accepted. Executive Board report by Rev. Jerry Dudley reporting sale of Camp Ground, report accepted. Ladies Auxiliary report read and accepted, and delegates seated. Business committee replacement for this session Doyle Dixon. Mission Board report by Rev. Delbert Akin.

1:30 p.m. Business session opened by singing "How Great Thou Art," Rev. Bob Duncan leader, Gala Bratcher, pianist. Prayer by Kenneth Jones. Congregation sang. Prayer by Rev. Danny Farmer. Mission Board report by Rev. Delbert Akin. Masters Men report read and accepted. Request from Shawnee Northeast church for renewal of Bro. Harold Haas, same granted. Treasurers report read and accepted.

Business Committee Report

Be it resolved that the 25% of Camp Funds held in Association be allocated 10% for general fund, 5% Missions and 10% O.B.C., motion carried to accept same. Motion by Rev. Jim Cearley that the Association rent a safety deposit box at the Capitol Hill State Bank & Trust Company, Oklahoma City, in the name of First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist. Motion carried. Solo, "Till the Storm Passes By," by Rev. Delbert Akin. Voted to give Edmond Church vote of thanks for refreshments and hospitality. Request for prayer for our boys in Viet Nam. Motion to adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Henry Braisher.

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

February 17-18

Friday Evening Service:

Introductory message of Second Quarterly meeting of First Oklahoma Association convened with Sunny Lane church, services opened by singing led by Harold Haas, pianist, Connie Qualls, Quarter, "Hide Thou Me," by Rev. Joe Grizzle, Bea Dudley, Dev. Delbert Akin and Arnold Dethro. Moderator introduced Rev. James Murray. As speaker Rev. Murray used "Faith for the Hour." As his theme. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. J. R. Hall.

Saturday Morning Service:

The business session of First Oklahoma Association opened by singing "Sunlight" Harold Haas, leader, Rev. Kermit Argo, pianist, Prayer by Kenneth Jones. Song "How Firm a Foundation," Rev. Gayle Gardner reading Isaiah 40 for devotional. Prayer by Rev. Gardner. Letters called for, read and accepted and delegates seated. Minutes of last meeting read and accepted. Motion made to enter into our minutes a notation regarding 25% coop be allocated to minutes of November meeting referred to Executive Board, retroactive to January 1, 1967. C.T.S. re-

port read and accepted. The Yearly Association will convene August 17, 18, 19, 1967. Credential Board report read. They recommend Melvin Loy Shivers, Norman L. Davis and Paul Davis be ordained as deacons, Henry Braisher be licensed to preach the Gospel and Clarence Bruce be ordained to preach the Gospel. Motion to accept report and vote on each one separately. Motion to recess until 1:30.

11 o'clock Service:

Opened by singing "Sunlight," led by Arnold Dethro, Barbara Martin, pianist. Prayer by Henry Braisher. Quartet, "I Remember the Time," by Marie Murray, Arnold Dethro, Rev. Joe Grizzle and Rev. Delbert Akin. Solo, "Stand by Me," Rev. Delbert Akin. Rev. Albert Collier introduced as speaker, reading Hebrews 11:3 using for text, "Faith in His Word," as his text. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. N. R. Smith.

1:30 Business Session:

Opened by singing "The Glory Land Way," leader, Rev. Delbert Akin, Rev. Kermit Argo, pianist. Prayer by Othel Runyan. Psalm 133 read by moderator. Motion made to accept report on the ordination of Clarence Bruce carried to ordain. Motion to accept all Credential Board reports. Business committee (1) Be is resolved that the question and statement on backsliding "13 Bylaws," be included in our list of questions for examination of Ministers and deacons. Motion carried to accept same. Sunday School Board report read and accepted. Mission Board report by Rev. Delbert Akin, reporting that the Board has started a Mission in Yukon, Oklahoma and that the Board has elected Bro. Clarence Bruce as Mission Pastor. Treasurers report read and accepted. Rev. N. R. Smith State Executive Treasurer introduced, talking on World Wide cause for Christ. Greetings from Dr. J. D. O'Donnell, President of O.B.C., Rev. Clarence Herron, Deon of College introduced. Oral report of Executive Board by Chairman Rev. Jerry Dudley. Motion moderator carry key No. 2 to safety deposit box, carried. Motion to adjourn, dismissed in prayer by Ed Warner. Moderator, Rev. Lonnie DaVault, Clerk, Mildred Cash.

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

May 19-20

Introductory message of Third Quarterly meeting at Seminole church by Rev. Louis Wickham, Missions was the text Bro. Wickham used. Special song by Rickey Duncan. Dismissed in prayer.

Saturday Business Session:

Opened by singing "Tis so Sweet to Trust in Jesus," leader, Ray Martin, pianist, Linda Oxley. Devotional and prayer led by Rev. Roger Harwell, reading I Corinthians 13. Juanita Warner appointed Assistant clerk. Assistant moderator Delbert Akin presiding in the absence of moderator, Rev. James Murray, appointed assistant. Letters read and accepted and delegates seated. By-laws and rules of order read by moderator. Visitors recognized, Yukon delegation, Rev. Murel Wilson, of Webb, Oklahoma, Rev. Joe Haase and family and Rev. and Mrs. Webb. Motion to appoint a member to Executive Board to replace Joe Blair. Rev. Joe Grizzle appointed. Letter from Southeast Oklahoma City read and accepted and delegates seated. Report of Executive Board by Rev. Jerry Dudley accepted. Sunday School Board report by Ed Warner accepted. Rev. Joe Haase introduced by moderator who in turn introduced

his family. Rev. Haase gave report on their being accepted as missionaries to South India and our work there. Rev. Clarence Bruce, Yukon Missionary pastor gave report on his work there. C.T.S. Board report read and accepted. Motion to adjourn business session until 1:30. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Murel Wilson.

11:00 O'clock Service:

Began by singing "Victory in Jesus," Ray Martin, song leader, Linda Oxley, pianist. Prayer by Rev. Sherman Webb. Solo, "Haven of Rest," by Rev. Joe Grizzle, Special "Seeking the Lost," by Haase Family Quartet. Rev. Rudell Smith introduced as speaker. Rev. Smith read Matthew 24-3 for sermon text, presenting a challenging message to the Christians of today on the mental, moral, and spiritual condition of our nation. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Kermit Argo.

1:30 p.m. Business Session:

Opened by singing "Since Jesus Came Into my Heart", Ray Martin leader, Linda Oxley, pianist. Romans 12:5 read by moderator, prayer by Rev. Alvin Murphy. Letter from Southwest read and accepted. Treasurers report by Henry Braisher read and accepted. Bro. Braisher offered his resignation as treasurer as he is going to Nashville to school. Motion to accept same with a rising vote of thanks for his excellent work. Ray Martin elected to fill out term. Business committee report: Item (1) Be it resolved that this association underwrite \$1,500.00 to finance Yukon Mission work for 6 months beginning June 4, 1967, with Rev. Bruce given the liberty of raising this amount in local churches. Motion carried to accept same. Pledging said cause, Glendale, \$100.00; Spencer Road, \$100.00; Norman First, \$100.00; Capitol Hill, \$100.00; Edmond, \$100.00; Purcell, \$100.00; Seminole, \$100.00; Lexington, \$100.00; Central Avenue, \$100.00; Plaza Towers, \$50.00; Wolf, \$50.00; and Northwest, \$100.00. Amount of \$250.00 left in retainer fee fund from Camp Ground voted to give executive board authority to give same to Yukon Mission.

Credential Board report: We recommend that Wyman Straughn and Ivan Van Winkle from Norman First be ordained as deacons and Gary Dodson from Norman be licensed to preach the Gospel, Rickey Duncan from Spencer Road be ordained to preach the Gospel, and Carter L. Brewer of Sunny Lane be licensed to preach the Gospel. Motion to accept report carried.

Rev. Danny Farmer, Business Administrator of O.B.C. gave report on O.B.C. Rev. Joe Grizzle presented the need of a generator for the Lonnie Palmers in Africa. Pledges enough to care for same were pledged. Masters Men report by Marvin Hawkins, he presented the need of \$200.00 to finish paying O.B.S. sign. Motion to adjourn dismissed in prayer by Rev. James Murray.

Rev. Delbert Akin, Moderator
Mildred Cash, 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 Association government.

Article I

Name: This Association shall be known as the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist of the State of Oklahoma. And that it shall meet four times in each year with one session to be designated as the annual session. The August session will be the Annual Session.

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 enterprizes 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 CTS Rally of the Association, Officers of the Sunday School Convention of the Association. Officers of Woman's Auxiliary Convention of the Association. Officers of the District Master's Men. Officers of the District 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, 1957) who desired to unite with the First Oklahoma Association may be received by letter and selected delegates.

Article VI

Boards: The following standing boards shall be elected in the annual session. Each Board shall consist of five members elected as 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 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.

This 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 this association and shall further receive, hold, manage, use, control, and convey any property entrusted to said Association for any purpose in accordance with a purpose of the donor or donors and in 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 to assemble 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.

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 appraised to the failure of ministers to make an annual report.

Church Training Service: It shall be their duty to plan Church Training Rallies of the Association. This Board shall also plan the annual youth encampment, appoint cooks, dormitory sponsors, and teachers at their convenience for the encampment at the camp ground.

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. This mission program of the denomination shall be kept before the First Oklahoma Association and special drives shall be presented by them.

Master's Men Board: This board shall work in cooperation with the State and National Masters Men Organizations in the promotion of Local Masters Men Chapters in the churches of First Oklahoma Association. It shall be the duties of this board to promote and maintain a district Masters Men Organization. In cooperation with the officers of such said organizations.

Article VII

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

Article VIII

Property and Real Estate: Any church that is a member of the First Oklahoma Association that fails to have pastor for two (2) years becomes the property of said Association; however that at anytime during this two (2) years it will be the business of the Executive Board to assist such church in securing a pastor or if need in finance; or if a condition should arise that would not be the boards duty to take charge of the property.

Article IX

Credentials: When a church desires that one of its members should be examined for license of 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

Name

Date Age

Member of

1. Do you have a license?.....
2. If you have a 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 any other denominations give name of each and length of time with each?
16. In your opinion, what is God's plan for refinancing 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 have you had?.....
22. Have you had any special training in doctrinal and pastoral theology?
23. Have you had any courses in study in Homiletics?.....
24. Do you have plans to better qualify yourself for the ministry?.....
25. If so, state 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 in a second definite work of Grace of Bap.ism of the Holy Ghost, Separate and apart from regeneration.....
 7. Do you believe that speaking in an unknown tongue is evidence of having received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost?.....
 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?
 14. A. Do you teach and practice these ordinances?
 - B. Do you practice the ordinance 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 then and all will be judged according to their works?
 18. Do you believe that immediately after the judgment the righteous will enter in eternal life, and the wicked into a state of 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 ime I preach or teach any doctrine contrary to the Free Will Baptist articles of faith, I will surrender my credentials to the Free Will Baptist 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 of alteration is represented in writing and laid on the table one day in advance.

Article XI

P. S.: Each church in the Association is to send a \$10.00 minute fee, \$5.00 State Delegate fee, annually.

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 practice. (II Ti. 3:16-17; II Peter 1:20-21).
2. That there is but one true and living God in the God Head of Divine Presence, Father, Son, and the Holy Ghost. (Gen. 17:1-4; 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 Savior, Jesus Christ. (Acts 4:12; Titus 3:5).
5. That the joys of the righteous, and the punishment of the world shall be eternal. (Matt. 25:46).
6. All believers in Christ, who through grace, perseveres in holiness to the end of life, have the promise of eternal salvation. Mark 13:13; Rev. 2:11).
7. Baptism (the immersion of believers in water), the Lord's Supper, and Feet washing, are ordinance 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 teachers 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; 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 rest from or worldly concerns except in cases of necessity and mercy, (Ex. 31; Deut. 5:18; Matt. 12:12).
9. We believe in the resurrection of the body both the just and the unjust by 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. 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 a millenium view of the Second Coming of Christ). (Chapter XX National Treatise; 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 infants excepted. (Act. 21:21; Tim. 2:5-6; John 3:4-16; 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).
13. The Definition and Condition of a Backslider:
A backslider is a regenerated person who has degenerated to a state of living in unconfessed and unforgiven sin. Such a person is rebellious to the principles of the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and cannot enter into a sinless Heaven in such a backslidden condition. The following scriptures explain: Jeremiah 2:21; Jeremiah 2:32; II Peter 1:9; James 1:13-16; James 5:19-20; Romans 6:12; Matthew 6:24; Hebrews 10:38-39; Hebrews 3:12-14; Ezekiel 18:24; I John 1:9; Revelation 21:27.

BYLAWS

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 to start.
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 the moderator.
9. The moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in Christian spirit.
10. The ruling of the moderator may be overruled by a two-thirds vote of the members present.
11. Any minister opposed to 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.
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 of the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist, shall be ordained ministers, ordained deacons, members of all standing boards, officers and sponsors of the CTS Rally of the Association. Officers of the Sunday School Convention of the Association. Officers of the District Master's Men, Officers of the District 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 Association in good standing.
16. These by-laws may be amended at any annual Association by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present.

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves 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 appearances 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 wor-

ship, and by self denial, faith and good works, endeavor to 'grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ'.

We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, (public worship and the observance of the ordinance of the Gospel, no rfail 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 speak 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 influences 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 Lord of Peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of the 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 the delegates.
5. Petitionary letters called for.
6. Reading Rules of order.
7. Invite visitors to seat 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

Church & Pastor	Members Recorded	Members Dismissed	Total Members	Pd. out for Denomination Work	Property Value
Noble—					
Rev. Joe Grizzle.....	29	4		\$1,001.54	\$ 45,000.00
NE Shawnee—					
Rev. Bill Bratcher.....	7	3	106	634.14	23,000.00

Purcell—					
Rev. Gayle Gardner.....	23	2	91	1,850.28	30,000.00
Capitol Hill—					
Rev. Lonnie DaVault.....	13	11	375	9,101.03	170,000.00
Moore First—					
Rev. R. E. Duncan.....	9	18	117	926.43	75,000.00
Shawnee First—					
Rev. R. C. Hampton.....	13	7	60	726.28	25,000.00
S.E. Oklahoma City—					
Rev. Shelby Gresson.....	13	19	50	357.99	25,000.00
Pleasant Hill—					
Rev. Roger Harwell.....	9	0	67	579.16	5,000.00
Spring Hill—					
Rev. Albert McDonald.....	4	4	56	607.81	12,000.00
Norman First—					
No Pastor.....	17	16	261	3,833.61	85,000.00
Glendale—					
Rev. L. D. Yandel.....	6	7			15,000.00
Grace—					
Rev. Glenn Staggs.....	26	0	54	160.45	8,000.00
NW Oklahoma City—					
Rev. James Murray.....	26	6	106	2,357.67	105,000.00
Seminole.....	0	0	106	276.59	35,750.00
Edmond—					
Rev. Milburn Wilson.....	34	4	55	5,300.00	40,000.00
Plaza Towers—					
Rev. Louis Wickham.....	1	2			
Central Avenue—					
Rev. Jerry Dudley.....	50	23	400	1,038.70	66,500.00
Sunny Lane—					
Rev. Lonnie McAllister.....	18	2	117	1,252.54	75,000.00
Spencer Road—					
Rev. Delbert Akin.....	14	10	95	1,568.55	50,000.00
Lexington—					
Rev. Kermit Argo.....	15	3	46	259.06	20,000.00
Tecumseh—					
Rev. James Cearley.....	27	12	285	1,724.31	42,000.00
SW Oklahoma City—					
Rev. J. R. Hall.....	20	51	191	500.00	138,500.00
Earlsboro—					
Rev. W. E. Mullendore.....	4		21	24.00	2,000.00
Straight Street—					
Rev. Reudell Smith.....	28		114	661.00	
Wolf—					
Rev. Dennis O'Donnel.....				Partial Report	
Trinity, Oklahoma City—					
Rev. John Ballard.....	93	2	93	46.70	
Oklahoma City First—					
Rev. B. T. Kirby.....				No Report	

NAMES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. Dennis O'Donnell.....	Route 3, Maud,	Oklahoma
Rev. Joe Grizzle.....	Box 104, Moore,	Oklahoma
Rev. Bill Bratcher.....	Route 3, Box 14, Shawnee,	Oklahoma
Rev. Lorene Bratcher.....	Route 3, Box 14, Shawnee,	Oklahoma
Rev. Arthur Downs.....	1106 N. Philadelphia, Shawnee,	Oklahoma
Rev. Gayle Gardner.....	629 W. Monroe, Purcell,	Oklahoma
Rev. Lonnie DaVault.....	2721 S.W. 33rd, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. J. B. Johnson.....	3304 S. Parkview, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Robert E. Duncan.....	105 E. 3rd, Moore,	Oklahoma
Rev. J. D. Williams.....	Norman,	Oklahoma
Rev. Walker Hayes.....	Norman,	Oklahoma
Rev. R. C. Hampton.....	529 N. Louisa, Shawnee,	Oklahoma
Rev. Shelby Greeson.....	601 S.W. 6th, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Albert McReynolds.....	1165 S.E. 22nd, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Swanson.....	1117 S.E. 18th, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Roger Harwell.....	Route 3, Norman,	Oklahoma
Rev. Alvin Murphy.....	Route 3, Norman,	Oklahoma
Rev. Clyde Argo.....	Route 3, Norman,	Oklahoma
Rev. Albert C. McDonald.....	Route 2, Lexington,	Oklahoma
Rev. Jim Owens.....	Norman,	Oklahoma
Rev. J. D. O'Donnell.....	Norman,	Oklahoma
Rev. Clarence Bruce.....	Norman,	Oklahoma
Rev. L. D. Yandel.....	4200 S. Agnew, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Glenn Staggs.....	729 S.W. 67th, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. L. E. Staggs.....	2605 S.W. 34th, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Ira Smithey.....	4309½ S. Agnew, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Bill Giles.....	413 N. Broadway, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. James E. Murray.....	3716 N. Barr, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Burnett Lunsford.....	3924 Del Road, Del City,	Oklahoma
Rev. L. P. King.....	2505 N.W. 13th, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Milburn Wilson.....	14008 Jeffery Drive, Edmond,	Oklahoma
Rev. Louis Wickham.....	725 N. Findley, Norman,	Oklahoma
Rev. Jerry Dudley.....	29 S.E. 57th, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Gary Myers.....	2828 S.W. 46th Terrace, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Jim Lanier.....	222 Short St., Nogales, Arizona	
Rev. Lonnie McAllister.....	4220 S.E. 41st, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Albert Collier.....	Okemah,	Oklahoma
Rev. Curtis Hogue.....	Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Delbert Akin.....	8517 N.E. 25th, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. E. E. Morris.....	R. R., McLoud,	Oklahoma
Rev. W. C. Rupp.....	Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Jake Hicks.....	Lookeba,	Oklahoma
Rev. Kermit Argo.....	Box 97, Lexington,	Oklahoma
Rev. James Cearley.....	Tecumseh,	Oklahoma
Rev. P. W. DeWeber.....	521 E. Washington, Tecumseh,	Oklahoma
Rev. Lewis Sparks, Jr.....	Eulis, Texas	
Rev. J. R. Hall.....	1333 S.W. 61st, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. Dave Sutton.....	1313 Cavalier, Moore,	Oklahoma
Rev. Wilburn Shultz.....	4921 S. Drexel, Oklahoma City,	Oklahoma
Rev. W. E. Mullendore.....	Route 1, Earlsboro,	Oklahoma
Rev. Ruedell Smith.....	610 Albany Place, Norman,	Oklahoma
Rev. Gene Wornack.....	513 N. 4th, Moore,	Oklahoma
Rev. Charles Hampton.....	529 N. Louisa, Shawnee,	Oklahoma

