
MINUTES

OF THE

FIRST OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION

OF

FREE WILL BAPTIST

1968

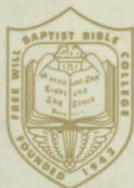
PROCEEDINGS OF THE

71st ANNUAL SESSION

CONVENED AT

STRAIGHT STREET FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Norman, Oklahoma



FREE WILL BAPTIST
BIBLE COLLEGE

Nashville, Tennessee

Presented By

Dr. J. D. O'Donnell

OFFICERS

Moderator.....	Rev. O. T. Dixon Box 873, Norman, Oklahoma 73069
Assistant Moderator.....	Rev. Roger Harwell 2717 Wyandotte Way, Norman, Oklahoma 73069
Clerk.....	Ivan K. Van Winkle 2429 Weatherford Dr., Norman, Oklahoma 73069
Assistant Clerk.....	Rev. Gayle Gardner 629 W. Monroe, Purcell, Oklahoma 73080
Treasurer.....	Ray Martin 708 S.W. 45th, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73109

BOARDS

STATE GENERAL BOARD

1968.....	Rev. Gayle Gardner
1969.....	Rev. James Murray

EXECUTIVE BOARD

1968-1973.....	Rev. Louis Wickham, 725 N. Findlay, Norman 73069
1967-1972.....	Marvin Hawkins*, 2927 S.W. 54th, Oklahoma City 73119
1966-1971.....	Rev. James Cearley, 108 S. Range Line, Tecumseh 74873
1965-1970.....	Rev. Jerry Dudley, 29 S.E. 57th St., Oklahoma City 73129
1964-1969.....	Rev. Dennis O'Donnell, Route 3, Maud 74854

CREDENTIAL BOARD

1968-1973.....	Rev. Robert Duncan*, 105 E. 3rd, Moore 73060
1967-1972.....	T. J. Jones, Box 291, Moore 73060
1966-1971.....	Rev. Joe Grizzle, Box 104, Noble 73068
1965-1970.....	Rev. James Murray, 3716 N. Barr, Oklahoma City 73122
1964-1969.....	Rev. E. E. Morris, Route 1, Box 101B, McLoud 74851

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE BOARD

1968-1973.....	Ivan K. Van Winkle*, 2429 Weatherford Dr., Norman 73069
1967-1972.....	Rev. RueDell Smith, 610 Albany, Pl., Norman 73069
1966-1971.....	Rev. Kermit Argo, Route 1, Lexington 73051
1965-1970.....	Rev. Gayle Gardner, 629 W. Monroe, Purcell 73080
1964-1969.....	Rev. Clarence Bruce, Jr., 619 S. 2nd. St., Yukon 73099

MISSION BOARD

1968-1973.....	Rev. O. T. Dixon*, Box 873, Norman 73069
1967-1972.....	Rev. Lonnie McAlister, Route 2, Lexington 73051
1966-1971.....	Rev. Roger Harwell, 2717 Wyandotte Way, Norman 73069
1965-1970.....	Rev. Milburn Wilson, 14008 Jeffrey Dr., Edmond 73034
1964-1969.....	Rev. Delbert Akin**, 530 S. Johnston, Ada 74820

MASTER'S MEN

1968-1973.....	Jimmy Miller 820 S.W. 67th., Oklahoma City 73139
1967-1972.....	Curtis Clanton 3600 S. Woodward, Oklahoma City 73119
1966-1971.....	Wyman Straughan 725 S. 4th Pl., Moore 73060

*Chairman

**Submitted resignation as member of Mission Board

1965-1970.....M. Q. Thompson
 1964-1969.....J. D. Wilson

Box 881, Norman 73069

STATE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

4801 S. Walker, Oklahoma City 73109

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President.....Melba Spears
 Vice President.....Ruth Hawkins
 Recording Secretary.....Barbara Chappell
 Assistant Recording Secretary.....Shirley Gardner
 Treasurer.....Colena Huffstutlar
 Corresponding Secretary.....Willodean O'Donnell
 Field Secretary.....Leota Wilson
 Study Course Chairman.....Vicki Straughan
 Stewardship Prayer Chairman.....Linda Oxley
 Personal Service Evangelism Chairman.....Onalee Cearley
 Missions Chairman.....Darlene Miller

EX OFFICIO

Moderator.....Rev. O. T. Dixon
 Executive Board Chairman.....Marvin Hawkins
 Executive Treasurer.....4801 S. Walker, Oklahoma City 73109

COMMITTEES

Business.....Rev. James Cearley, Rev. O. T. Dixon, Rev. Floyd Vulgamore
 Obituary.....Gertie Conn, Ann Argo, Ruth Womack
 Divine Service.....L. C. Webber, George Seabolt, Wyman Straughan
 Auditing.....Rev. James Murray, Rev. Roger Harwell, Melba Spears

QUARTERLY SESSIONS

First Quarterly Session.....November 15, 16, Southwest, Oklahoma City
 Second Quarterly Session.....February 14, 15, Purcell
 Third Quarterly Session.....May 16, 17, Moore First
 Annual Session.....August 14, 15, 16, Norman First

SPEAKERS FOR QUARTERLY SESSIONS

November.....Friday Night, Rev. Rue Dell Smith
 Saturday Morning, Rev. James Cearley
 February.....Friday Night, Rev. Leon Shepherd
 Saturday Morning, Rev. Jerry Dudley
 May.....Friday Night, Rev. Floyd Vulgamore
 Saturday Morning, Rev. Bill Bratcher
 August.....Thursday Night, Rev. Roger Harwell
 (Annual Session).....Friday Morning, Rev. Milburn Wilson
 Friday Night, Rev. Joe Grizzle
 Saturday Morning, Rev. O. T. Dixon

STATE DELEGATES

George Plunkett.....Capitol Hill
 Lela Mullendore.....Earlsboro

Tommy Hendon.....	Glendale
Ola Mae Smithey.....	Grace
Leota Wilson.....	Edmond
Glenn Rowland.....	Lexington
Harold Hawkins.....	Norman First
Eunice Lunsford.....	Shawnee First
J. C. Carroll.....	Moore First
Louise Womack.....	Noble First
Bea Haas.....	Northeast Shawnee
Ray Martin.....	Northwest, Oklahoma City
Barbara Harwell.....	Pleasant Hill
Shirley Gardner.....	Purcell
Doris Vulgamore.....	Seminole
Delpha Duncan.....	Southeast, Oklahoma City
George Ray.....	Southern Oaks
Irma Jean Hall.....	Southwest, Oklahoma City
I. J. Witten.....	Spencer Road
Dorothy Murnan.....	Spring Hill
Ozella Smith.....	Straight Street
Carter Brewer.....	Sunnylane
John Williams.....	Tecumseh
Sister John Ballard.....	Trinity
Ollie Howell.....	Wolf
Evaline Ballard.....	Yukon

CHURCH LETTERS

Church	Clerks
Capitol Hill.....	Jerry Vanover
Earlsboro.....	Olin Sangster
Glendale.....	Freda Woodruff
Grace.....	Wanda Pierce
Edmond.....	Opal Roth
Lexington.....	Virgie Coles
Norman First.....	Sandra Hawkins
Shawnee First.....	Gertie Stephens
Moore First.....	Phyliss Brown
Noble First.....	Mary McAlister
Northeast, Shawnee.....	Vera Williams
Northwest, Oklahoma City.....	Mrs. Doyl H. Dickson
Pleasant Hill.....	George Hurst
Purcell First.....	Linda Keller
Seminole.....	Leone Kimbel
Southeast, Oklahoma City.....	Betty Ethridge
Southern Oaks.....	Melba Spears
Southwest, Oklahoma City.....	Naomi Tucker
Spencer Road.....	Sue Sliger
Spring Hill.....	Ruby Hollowell
Straight Street.....	Mary Pate
Sunnylane.....	George Seabolt
Tecumseh.....	Vivian Williams
Trinity.....	Mary Mullins
Wolf.....	Weldon R. Siler
Yukon.....	Dortha Hasley

MINUTES OF SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 1968—7:30 P.M. SERVICE

Introductory message of 71st Annual Session.

Rev. Delbert Akin, moderator called the meeting to order.

Song service led by Rev. Joe Grizzle.

Specal music by: Bro. and Sister David Sutton; Straight Street Quintet; and Gardner children's trio.

Message delivered by Rev. Ralph Hampton, using as topic, "Do It Now," with Ecclesiastes 3:1 as text.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 1968—9:30 A.M. SERVICE

The business session of the 71st Annual Session of the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptists opened by singing "Higher Ground," led by Bro. M. B. Lunsford. Prayer by Rev. O. T. Dixon. Congregation continued song service by singing "He Lives." Devotional given by Rev. Rue Dell Smith, using Amos, chapter 8. Letters called for, read, MSC to accept letters and seat delegates. Moderator, Rev. Delbert Akin read Rules of Order.

Change of times for speakers was made necessary, due to other obligations of Rev. Lonnie McAlister. Rev. Delbert Akin to bring the Friday morning message; Rev. James Murray to bring Friday night message; Rev. Lonnie McAlister to bring Saturday morning message.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. James Cearley.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 1968—11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Service opened with congregation singing, "Praise Him! Praise Him!" led by Rev. Kermit Argo, with Mary Lu Peters as pianist. Prayer by Rev. Roger Harwell. Congregation continued song service, "There's Power in the Blood" and "He Hideth My Soul."

Solo by Rev. Joe Grizzle, "The Haven of Rest."

Rev. Delbert Akin introduced as speaker of the hour. Rev. Akin used Isaiah 40:9-11 for scripture lesson, with text, "Lift Up Thy Voice With Strength." Prayer by speaker.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Lonnie DaVoult.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 1968—1:30 P.M. BUSINESS SESSION

Business session opened with congregation singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms," with Rev. M. B. Lunsford leading, Sister Eunice Lunsford, pianist. Prayer by Rev. James Murray.

The following committees were appointed at this time:

Business Committee: Rev. James Cearley, Rev. O. T. Dixon, Rev. Floyd Vulgamore.

Obituary Committee: Gertie Conn, Ann Argo, Ruth Womack.

Divine Service Committee: L. C. Webber, George Seabolt, Wyman Straughan.

Auditing Committee: Rev. James Murray, Rev. Roger Harwell, Melba Spears.

The First Oklahoma Association Clerk, Sister Mildred Cash offered her resignation as clerk. Congregation gave Sister Cash a rising vote of thanks for her excellent work as clerk of the association and for her many years of faithful service.

Rev. Gayle Gardner appointed Clerk pro tem, with Ivan K. Van Winkle to assist.

MSC to receive Moore letter and seat delegates.

Woman's Auxiliary report read and approved. (See Reports).

CTS report read and approved. (See Reports). MSC to allocate CTS Board \$100.00 to clear deficit and leave small sum in reserve for operational purposes as requested in report.

Recommendations from the Credential Board read and accepted. (See Reports).

Report by District Master's Men, approved. Next meeting will be November 14, 1968, 7:30 p.m. at the Norman First Church. Officers of District Master's Men: President, Kenneth Lane; Vice-President, Wayne Rice; Program Chairman, Wyman Straughan; Secretary-Treasurer, Lethal Johnson.

MSC moderator recognize chairmen of committees working during National Association which convened in Oklahoma City, July 15-18, 1968 from First Oklahoma Association. Publicity, Robert Duncan; Ushers, Delbert Akin; Auditorium, James Murray; Prayer, Lonnie McAlister; Youth Arrangements, Jerry Dudley.

MSC to recess business session until Saturday, August 17, 1968, 9:30 a.m.

Dismissed in prayer.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 1968—7:30 P.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Service opened with congregation singing, "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder," led by Rev. Kermit Argo. Prayer by Rev. Clarence Bruce, Jr. Congregation continued song service, "Standing on the Promises" and "Love Lifted Me."

Gardner children trio presented special, "It Will Be Worth It."

Altar of prayer with all ministers and deacons in behalf of our missionaries.

Lexington quartet presented special numbers, "Since Jesus Passed By" and "It Might As Well Be Me."

Message presented by Rev. James Murray, taking text from Romans 7:15-25.

Dismissed in prayer.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 1968—9:30 A.M. BUSINESS SESSION

Business session opened with congregation singing "He Keeps Me Singing," with Bro. Ray Martin leading. Devotion given by Rev. Clarence Bruce, Jr. using Psalms 139:1-12, 23, 24 as scripture reading.

Seating of delegates not present for Friday session.

Treasurer's report read and approved. (See reports).

Mission Board report read and approved. MSC to adopt Mission Board recommendation as proposed to the May Quarterly Session that a budget of \$11,400.00 (\$950.00 per month) for the support of Earnie and Willie Jean Deeds, Missionaries to Brazil, for the year of 1969.

MSC that the Cooperative Budget as presented by the Budget Committee at the May Quarterly Session be adopted. Proposed allocations and amounts:

State Association Coop.....	\$11,250.00	75%
Oklahoma Bible College.....	1,500.00	10%
General Fund.....	1,200.00	8%
District Mission Board	750.00	5%
District CTS Board	300.00	2%
Total Proposed Coop Budget.....	\$15,000.00	100%

Recommendations by the Business committee Read and accepted.
(See Reports).

The following board members were elected as follows: Executive Board, Rev. Louis Wickham, 1968-1973; Credential Board, Rev. Robert Duncan, 1968-1973; CTS Board, Ivan K. Van Winkle, 1968-1973; Mission Board, Rev. O. T. Dixon, 1968-1973; Master's Men, Jimmy Miller, 1968-1973.

Recommendation by the Credential Committee that the license of Joe Conn be extended for a period of one year, approved.

Recommendation by the Divine Service Committee listing speakers for Quarterly Sessions for coming year, approved. Speakers as follows: November Session, Friday night, Rev. Rue Dell Smith; Saturday morning, Rev. James Cearley; February Session, Friday night, Rev. Leon Shepherd; Saturday morning, Rev. Jerry Dudley; May Session, Friday night, Rev. Floyd Vulgamore; Saturday morning, Rev. Bill Bratcher; August Annual Session, Thursday night, Rev. Roger Harwell; Friday morning, Rev. Milburn Wilson; Friday night, Rev. Joe Grizzle; Saturday morning, Rev. O. T. Dixon.

MSC to recess business session until 1:30 p.m.

Dismissed in prayer.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 1968—11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Service opened with congregation singing, "Onward Christian Soldiers," led by Bro. Ray Martin. Prayer by Rev. J. R. Hall. Song service continued with congregation singing "Jesus Saves."

Dr. J. D. O'Donnell extended greetings from Oklahoma Bible College and challenged the First Oklahoma Association to help in building projects at OBC.

Rev. Delbert Akin sang special Number, "Remind Me Dear Lord."

Rev. Joe Grizzle presented a special song, "Haven of Rest."

Message presented by Rev. Lonnie McAlister from Galatians 3:1, 11, 29.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. I. J. Witten.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 1968—1:30 P.M. BUSINESS SESSION

Business session opened with congregation singing "I Am Thine O Lord" and "When We All Get to Heaven," led by Bro. Ray Martin.

Prayer by Rev. Floyd Vulgamore.

State delegates read and approved.

Auditing Committee report read and accepted. (See Reports).

Obituary Committee report read and approved. (See Reports).

MSC that Rev. James Murray to be placed as General Board Member to represent Association at State Association in 1969.

Churches chosen for Associational meetings during next associational year are as follows:

November 15, 16.....Southwest, Oklahoma City
 February 14, 16 Purcell
 May 16, 17..... Moore First
 August 14, 15, 16..... Norman First

Report by Dr. O'Donnell on Gifts by Churches to Oklahoma Bible College given. (See Reports).

MSC that the Church Training Service library fund drive which was conducted during past associational year to provide \$1,000 for the OBC library be acknowledged as complete and vote of appreciation given to CTS Board.

Election of officers for next associational year as follows:

Treasurer.....Ray Martin
 Assistant Clerk..... Rev. Gayle Gardner
 Clerk..... Ivan K. Van Winkle
 Assistant Moderator..... Rev. Roger Harwell
 Moderator..... Rev. O. T. Dixon

MSC to adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Louis Wickham.

Moderator, Rev. Delbert Akin

Clerk, Ivan K. Van Winkle

MINUTE MONEY AND DELEGATE FEES

Capitol Hill	\$20.00
Earlsboro	20.00
Glendale	10.00
Grace	15.00
Edmond	10.00
Lexington	20.00
Moore First	20.00
Noble First	20.00
Norman First	20.00
Northeast, Shawnee	20.00
Northwest, Oklahoma City	20.00
Pleasant Hill	20.00
Purcell First	20.00
Seminole	15.00
Shawnee First	15.00
Southeast, Oklahoma City	15.00
Southern Oaks	20.00
Southwest, Oklahoma City	15.00
Spencer Road	20.00
Spring Hill	20.00
Straight Street	20.00
Sunnylane	20.00
Tecumseh	20.00
Trinity	15.00
Wolf	20.00
Yukon	20.00

REPORTS

EXECUTIVE BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

FRIST OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

The Executive Board of First Oklahoma Association met only once during the year ending August 1, 1968. This meeting was at First Free Will Baptist Church of Moore. Rev. Louis Wickham gave information on discontinuance of Plaza Towers Church. The Plaza Towers Church having discontinued services but not wishing to disband in order to maintain the property for future use of Free Will Baptists. Because of the extenuating circumstances, this Board took no action in either assuming the responsibility of the property or recommending this to the Association but recommended that Plaza Towers refer their request to the Associational Mission Board.

Because of over-lapping responsibilities of the various agencies of the Association, for simple clarification, this Board recommended that any organization holding membership desiring to disband and/or any organization being organized within this Association, or any organization being received into the fellowship of this Association be examined by the Executive Board. This recommendation made to the Quarterly Meeting of the Association May 18, 1968 while in session with the Northwest Church was adopted by the Quarterly Meeting.

Humbly submitted,
James Cearley, Chairman
Jerry Dudley, Clerk
Marvin Hawkins, Member
Louis Wickham, Member
Dennis O'Donnell, Member

BUSINESS

Item I

Inasmuch as the income of our association now runs into the thousands of dollars and several hundred people along with many churches are concerned, and so much responsibility rests with the treasurer, be it therefore resolved that he be bonded in the amount deemed necessary by the Executive Board.

Item II

Inasmuch as the First Church of Oklahoma City has failed to report to this association by letter or delegate for the period of two years or more, be it therefore resolved, that this association give a directive to our Executive Board to the extent that they visit with said church and try to encourage them to represent themselves with our association, of which they are members. Be it therefore resolved that they, the Executive Board, inform them that unless they have valid reasons for not attending that we will withdraw fellowship from them.

Item III

We recommend that the Association underwrite the expense of auditorium on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, October 22, 23, 1968, for the State Association.

Item IV

Be it resolved that all treasurer's get their reports to the associational treasurer in time to place them in one digest of reports.

AUDITING

We found a \$10.00 error in addition on the Mission Board report. The balance should read \$564.40.

We found the CTS and District Treasurer's books to be in order.

CREDENTIAL

We recommend that Bro. Henry Braisher be ordained as a Free Will Baptist minister.

We recommend that the license of Bro. Joe Conn be extended for one year.

OBITUARY

We the Obituary committee are sad to report the following deaths in our Association during the past year:

Capitol Hill: Thomas Cleaton.

Seminole: Mattie Watson, Alice Hudson

Southern Oaks: Kathleen McClellan, Henry Duke.

Straight Street: H. A. Wilson.

Sunnylane: Lizzie Tabor.

Tecumseh: John Guilliams.

Yukon: Mary Etta Brooking.

Northwest: Katheryne Addington.

Moore: Harry E. Phillips.

Southwest: Bobby Allen.

We request the congregation stand for a moment of silent prayer in remembrance of these.

We request that each church list the names of their deceased on the back of their reports to the annual association.

OKLAHOMA BIBLE COLLEGE

FIRST OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION

Gifts by Churches	July 1, 1967-June 30, 1968
Capitol Hill	1857.35
Southern Oaks	35.00
Earlsboro	20.00
Edmond	15.00
Lexington	53.75
Moore, First	536.05
Noble	10.00
Norman	914.00
Northeast, Shawnee	17.15
Northwest, Oklahoma City	281.10
Plaza Towers, Moore	200.00
Pleasant Hill	70.00
Purcell	559.62
Shawnee, First	108.00
Southwest, Oklahoma City	110.00
Spenser Road	264.00

Springhill	31.85
Sunnylane	210.60
Tecumseh	353.01
Wolf	335.00

These figures do not represent the gifts of individuals who gave directly to the school.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE BOARD TO THE FIRST OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

August 16, 1968

Your CTS Board has met six times in the past associational year with the main efforts of the board being in conducting quarterly youth rallies and the planning and overseeing of the youth camps. A project was initiated to raise \$1,000.00 for the Oklahoma Bible College library fund. This project was to have been completed by the time of this association, but so far only three churches have sent their offerings.

The board considers both youth camps to have been successful in the winning and training of youth for Christ. About sixteen youth were born into the kingdom of God and many more came to the altars for rededication.

The following is a complete financial report of the activities of this board since the time of the institution of its own treasury at the last quarterly meeting:

MONIES RECEIVED

First Oklahoma Association	\$ 479.92
OBC Library Project	506.16
Norman First	\$ 420.41
Northwest	60.75
Spring Hill	25.00
Youth Camps	2,006.37
Enrollment Fees	\$1,395.85
Swimming	163.60
Concessions	446.92
Total Received	\$2,992.45

MONIES PAID OUT

Youth Rallies	\$ 22.50
Miscellaneous	10.00
(Stamps, Record Book, Etc.)	
Youth Camps	2,476.20
Enrollment Cards	\$ 3.00
Literature	115.50
Recreation Equipment	38.70
Dan Farmer (Evangelist)	100.00
Kermit Argo (Mileage)	10.56
James Cearley (Cook)	400.00
Lynn Wood (Evangelist)	100.00
Muir's Meat Company	185.84
State Park	479.70
Pepsi Cola Company	17.05

Ice	36.00	
Groceries	470.98	
Milk-Ice Cream	115.19	
Song Books	39.00	
Insurance	100.40	
Coca Cola Company	152.19	
Mac's Candy	97.45	
First Aid Supplies	14.64	
Total Paid Out		\$2,508.70
Balance		\$ 483.75
Outstanding Debt (OBC)		\$ 506.16
Account in Red		\$ 22.41

We prayerfully request an allocation from the Association of \$100.00 to clear our deficit and give us a small sum to work with. Our future plans for youth camp in 1969 will be almost the same unless otherwise instructed by the association.

Ivan K. Van Winkle, Chairman
 Gayle Gardner, Clerk-Treasurer
 Kermit Argo, Member
 Rue Dell Smith, Member
 Clarence Bruce, Jr., Member

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The District Woman's Auxiliary of the First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptist met August 15, 1968, for their annual meeting at the Purcell Free Will Baptist Church. The meeting was called to order by the Vice President Sis. Marie Murray the theme for the meeting was "A Workman Not Ashamed".

The meeting was opened with congregational singing led by Sis. Shirley Gardner, opening prayer was led by Sis. Ruth Hawkins. Scripture reading was given by Sis. Eunice Lunsford reading from Proverbs 3:13-26, and prayer was followed led by Rev. Gayle Gardner. First Topic "What Christian Education Means to me as a Student" was given by Rev. Gardner. Topic 2, "What Christian Education Means to me, A Parent" given by Rev. Clarence Bruce, Jr. Topic 3, "What Christian Education Means to me, A Teacher" by Rev. Eugene Workman.

The following committees were appointed:

RESOLUTION—Chairman, Eunice Lunsford, LaBeth Myers, and Cora Bruce (address for Eunice Lunsford is P.O. Box 1612, Shawnee 74801).

REGISTRATION—Chairman, Marie Murray, Emma Mainord, Sue Sliger.

CREDENTIALS—Chairman, Leota Wilson, Kathleen Sutton.

APPRECIATION—Chairman, Irma Jean Hall, Mrs. S. H. Knight, Darlene Miller.

OBITUARY—Chairman, Doris Vulgamore, Betty Meeks, Geneva Hoover.

FINANCE—Chairman, Melba Spears, LaBeth Myers, Linda Oxley.

In the absence of Colena Huffstutlar the Standard of Achievement Committee was renamed as follows: Chairman, Ruth Hawkins, Vicki Straughan and Leone Kimbel.

The 11:00 worship hour was opened with congregational singing, prayer was led by Sis. Vicki Straughan. An offering of \$11.93 was received. Special music was presented by Sis. LaBeth Myers. Rev. Dan Farmer brought the morning message entitled "Woman's Ministry" reading from Luke 8:1-3. We were dismissed in prayer for our noonday meal by Sis. Edna DaVoult.

Rev. Farmer on behalf of the District Auxiliary was presented a check to purchase Free Will Baptist Hymn Books for Oklahoma Bible College. (This was the District Project for this year.)

The afternoon business session was opened with singing, and prayer led by Rev. Milburn Wilson. The Vice President opened the business session. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The annual Secretary's report was read and accepted. The Treasurers report was read and as of August 15, 1968 Balance on hand is \$169.78. MSC we accept this report. The annual Treasurers report for the District Auxiliary was read. MSC we accept the report.

The committee reports were asked for and given as follows:

RESOLUTION—(1). That we the District Auxiliary submit a resolution to the State Auxiliary that we investigate the possibility of an OBC Student Loan Fund similar to the Student Loan Fund of WNAC, carried. (2). That our November meeting be held at night-carried. (3). That we buy drapes for the den and dinning room for the Ledlow's in Alabama (15½ yds.)-defeated. (4). That each lady bring a sack lunch instead of a covered dish and the host church furnish drinks and dessert.-carried.

FINANCE—That we pay the balance of \$4.00 per member for 131 members on the state project. (approximately \$56.00)-carried.

CREDENTIAL—No report.

REGISTRATION—36 members, 6 preachers, 18 children, 7 visitors—total 69, with Seminole Woman's Auxiliary winning the attendance banner with 5 present—report accepted.

APPRECIATION—We the appreciation committee wish to express our thanks to the host church for the lovely dinner, table arrangements, and lapels, for the officers and their service, and for the speakers that we have heard—report accepted.

OBITUARY—No report.

STANDARD OF ACHIEVEMENT COMMITTEE—We the grading committee find Norman First to be an A organization with Southern Oaks and Capitol Hill to be a B organization. Sis Darlene Miller presented each Auxiliary with their flowers that had paid their state project by May first this year.

The nominating committee submitted their report, accepted. Opportunity was given for nominations from the floor, there being none the following officers were elected by acclamation:

President—Melba Spears, 3121 S.E. 21.....Oklahoma City 73115
Vice President—Ruth Hawkins, 2927 S.W. 54Oklahoma City 73119
Recording Sec.—Barbara Chappell, 1217 S.W. 40....Oklahoma City 73109

Assistant Rec. Sec.—Shirley Gardner, 629 W. Monroe,..... Purcell 73080
 Treasurer—Colena Huffstutlar, 1717 S.W. 18..... Oklahoma City 73108
 Cor. Sec.—Willodean O'Donnell, 988 Barkley Circle..... Norman 73069
 Field Secretary—Leota Wilson, 4306 S. Jordon, Rt. 3 Edmond 73034
 Study Course Chairman—Vicki Straughan, 725 S.W. 4th Pl. Moore 73060
 Stewardship—Linda Oxley, 2765 S.W. 46 Pl..... Oklahoma City 73119
 Personal Service—Onalee Cearley, 108 S. Rangeline..... Tecumseh 74873
 Missions Chairman—Darlene Miller, 820 S.W. 67.... Oklahoma City 73139

MSC that we elect a pianist and a song leader for the District Auxiliary.

MSC that we also elect an organist for the District Auxiliary. The nominating committee recommended Eunice Lunsford as pianist and Bea Dudley as song director both were elected by acclamation. (No nominations were made from the floor. Motion made that LaBeth Myers serve as District Auxiliary Organist, there were no other nominations, LaBeth was elected by acclamation.

There was no other business so the meeting was concluded with the installation of new officers which was conducted by Marie Murray using the theme "By Their Fruits Ye Shall Know Them." The officers met in a altar of prayer. We were dismissed in prayer at 2:30 p.m.

Sis. Marie Murray, Vice President
 Sis. Barbara Chappell, Recording Secretary

HOST CHURCHES FOR THE COMING YEAR

November 14, 1968 (Night meeting)..... Norman First, Norman
 February 13, 1969 Shawnee First, Shawnee
 May 1969..... Capitol Hill, Oklahoma City
 August, 1969..... Northwest, Oklahoma City
 approved.

DIVINE SERVICE

The Divine Service committee report the following speakers for Quarterly Sessions:

November Quarterly..... Rev. Rue Dell Smith, Rev. Jim Cearley
 February Quarterly..... Rev. Leon Shepherd, Rev. Jerry Dudley
 May Quarterly..... Rev. Floyd Vulgamore, Rev. Bill Bratcher
 August Annual Session..... Rev. Roger Harwell, Rev. Milburn Wilson
 Rev. Joe Grizzle, Rev. O. T. Dixon

TREASURER'S YEARLY REPORT

Receipts For Fourth Quarter: 1967 and 1968;

Balance to carry forward from last quarter.....	\$ 2,090.07
Capitol Hill	1,727.99
Norman First	1,175.00
Southern Oaks	996.23
Northwest	772.11
Purcell First	479.41
Spencer Road	457.60
Sunnylane	356.50
Tecumseh First	341.58
Moore First	329.67
Noble First	227.44

Straight Street	182.10
Wolf	146.96
Lexington First	112.25
Shawnee Northeast	107.50
Pleasant Hill	82.84
Glendale	78.00
Edmond First	77.72
Spring Hill	57.40
Trinity	47.70
Shawnee First	40.00
Yukon First	30.43
Grace	15.00
Earlsboro	10.00
Seminole Pott Royalty Company	10.00
O.B.C. Special Offering	58.00
Special Missionary Offering	148.00
Oklahoma City First	None
Southwest	None
Southeast	None
St. Clair	None
Seminole First	None

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR FOURTH QUARTER..... 8,067.43

RECEIPTS AND BALANCE TO CARRY FORWARD \$10,157.50

Disbursements For Fourth Quarter:

State Office	7,902.97
National C.T.S. Board (Trophies)	54.34
First Oklahoma C.T.S. Board	540.67
First Oklahoma Missions Board	569.10
Yukon Land Fund	500.00
Salaries (Treasurer)	45.00
Treasurers Supplies	25.84

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR FOURTH QUARTER ... 9,637.92

BALANCE TO CARRY FORWARD AUGUST 1, 1968 \$ 519.58

Receipts For Associational Year 1967 and 1968

Balance to carry forward	\$ 1,021.23
Capitol Hill	9,026.54
Norman First	3,494.57
Northwest	2,672.39
Southern Oaks	2,540.49
Tecumseh First	1,949.35
Purcell First	1,787.78
Spencer Road	1,697.53
Sunnylane	1,564.79
Noble First	861.70
Wolf	851.98
Moore First	833.72
Shawnee Northeast	589.23

Straight Street	528.09
Lexington First	449.98
Pleasant Hill	409.94
Glendale	384.00
Edmond First	365.61
Plaza Towers	350.16
Spring Hill	330.25
Yukon First	281.72
Shawnee First	256.83
Southwest	210.00
Seminole First	97.20
Trinity	62.70
Earlsboro	25.00
Grace	15.00
Oklahoma City First	None
Southeast	None
St. Clair	None
Payment on Sale of Campground	3,798.59
Income from youth camp	1,671.87
State Missions Board	445.00
Minute and Delegate Fee	340.00
Clarence Bruce, Jr.	175.02
Special Missionary Offering	148.00
Special O.B.C. Offering	58.00
Missionary Conference Offering	41.37
C.T.S. Board	37.50
O.B.C. Checkbook	34.50
Seminole Pott Royalty Company	10.00
Herb Champeau Insurance	2.04

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR YEAR: 1967 & 1968 38,408.44

TOTAL RECEIPTS AND
BALANCE TO CARRY FORWARD 39,429.67

Disbursements for Associational Year: 1967 & 1968

State Office	33,526.79
Youth Camp	1,768.16
Salaries	1,520.00
C.T.S. Board	638.25
First Oklahoma Missions Board	569.10
Yukon Land Fund	500.00
Miscellaneous	175.38
Printing Minutes	143.00
Clerk and Treasurers Supplies	69.41

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR YEAR 38,910.09

Balance in Treasury August 1, 1968\$ 519.58

State Office Allocation Breakdown:

COOP	10,151.61
Oklahoma Bible College	9,588.89
Foreign Missions	9,610.30

National Home Missions	2,173.31
F.W.B.B.C.	1,137.50
National Association Expense	500.00
State Missions	230.18
State Delegates Fee	85.00
State Office	20.00
New Church Club	20.00
National Headquarters Building	5.00
National C.T.S.	5.00

TOTAL GIVEN THROUGH STATE OFFICE \$33,526.79

Foreign Missions Break-Down:

Sparks Account	2,975.71
Palmer Account	2,502.72
Deeds Account	2,286.86
Gage Account	354.53
Operational Fund	319.92
Payne Account	273.17
Haas Account	205.18
McLain Account	166.50
Hersey Account	109.00
Calvary Account	100.00
Comb Account (Auto)	80.00
Waid Account	67.00
Deficit Account	50.10
Ellison Account	30.00
Griffin Account	28.61
Jones Account	24.00
Miley Account	19.00
Literature Account	8.00
Primary Project	6.00
Combs Account	4.00

Total giving to Foreign Missions \$ 9,610.30

National Home Missions Break-Down:

Valente Balderes (Mexican Pastor)	573.98
Plunkett Account	388.50
General Fund	360.89
Postlewaite Account	263.65
Aguirrie Account	196.00
Powell Account	170.51
Billows Account	104.58
Akisson Account	76.89
Shade Account	20.00
Sanders Account	11.31
Mexico	5.00
Godwin Account	2.00

Total giving to National Home Missions: \$ 2,173.31

Ray Martin, District Treasurer

MINUTES OF FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

November 17, 18, 1968

Friday, 7:30 P.M. Service, November 17, 1967

Introductory service for the First Quarterly Session of the First Oklahoma Association convened at the Noble Free Will Baptist Church.

Services opened with congregation singing led by Rev. Joe Grizzle, with Sister Barbara Harwell, pianist. Prayer by Rev. Lonnie McAlister.

Devotional reading by Moderator Rev. Delbert Akin from Psalms 2. Prayer by Rev. Robert Duncan. Rev. Joe Grizzle sang a solo, "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus." Quartet from Lexington sang "Remind Me."

Moderator introduced Rev. Joe Conn as speaker. Text taken from Ezekiel 33:1-9. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Clarence Bruce, Jr.

Saturday, 9:30 A.M. Service, November 18, 1967

The business session opened with congregation singing "He Keeps Me Singing," led by Rev. Clarence Hearron, with Carol Standley as pianist.

Moderator read portion of scripture from Ezekiel 7:33. Prayer by Rev. Lonnie DeVoult. Oklahoma Bible College girls' quartet sang "Christ Returneth."

Rev. Milburn Wilson appointed Assistant Clerk. Letters called for, read, accepted, and delegates seated. In absence of Assistant Moderator, Rev. Lonnie DeVoult appointed.

Petitionary letters called for and the First Free Will Baptist Church of Yukon presented letter for membership. MSC to accept this church into full fellowship and seat the delegates.

Moderator read the by-laws and recognized the visitors, Rev. Lynn Wood of Ada, State Moderator and Rev. Malcolm Frye of Tucson, Arizona.

Letter from Moore First Church read, accepted, and delegates seated.

Appointments to committees as follows:

Business: Rev. James Murray, Rev. Lonnie DeVoult, and Rev. Lonnie McAlister with the same acting as Auditing Committee.

Unfinished business: None.

Treasurer's report read and accepted.

Moderator introduced Dr. J. D. O'Donnell who gave a report on progress and future plans for Oklahoma Bible College. Rev. Lynn Wood introduced, bringing greetings from the state.

CTS report given by Rev. Gayle Gardner, accepted. For information, the next CTS Rally will be November 30, 1968, at the Southwest Church, Oklahoma City.

Business session recessed until 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, 11:00 A.M. Worship Service, November 18, 1968

Worship service opened with congregation singing, "Praise the Lord" led by Rev. Clarence Hearron, with Carol Standley as pianist. Prayer by Rev. O. T. Dixon. Congregation continued song service by singing, "The Banner of the Cross." Solo by Rev. Malcolm Frye, "Zion's Hill." Girls' quartet from Oklahoma Bible College sang "He Died for Me," and "A Passion for Souls."

Moderator introduced Rev. Gayle Gardner as speaker. Rev. Gardner

read Psalms 20, using fifth verse as text, "Rally Around the Banner." Song, "Close To Thee." Prayer of dedication by Rev. Lynn Wood.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Floyd Vulgamore.

Saturday, 1:00 P.M. Business Session, November 18, 1968

The business session was opened with congregation singing "Heavenly Sunlight," led by Rev. Joe Grizzle with Barbara Harwell as pianist.

Devotional reading from Matthew 26:24 and prayer given by Rev. John Ballard.

Credential Board report: We recommend that Dallas R. Melvin be licensed to preach the Gospel and that the license of Harold Haas be extended. MSC to accept.

Mission Board report given by Rev. Delbert Akin. Rev. Akin reported that the Yukon church had called Rev. Clarence Bruce, Jr. as pastor and that Rev. Bruce was working and this relieved the board from supplementing his salary any longer. Rev. Bruce gave a report on the Yukon work.

The Business Committee gave their report and recommended that the following amount of monies be allocated: OBC, \$1,000.00; Free Will Baptist Bible College, \$1,000.00; Lonnie Sparks account, \$500.00; Earnie Deeds account, \$500.00; CTS Board, \$500.00; Yukon Land Fund, \$500.00; National Association expense, \$500.00.

Auditing Committee reported the treasurer's books were in order.

MSC to adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Frost.

Moderator, Rev. Delbert Akin

Clerk, Mildred Cash

MINUTES OF SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

February 16, 17, 1968

Friday, 7:30 P.M. Service, February 16, 1968

Introductory service for the Second Quarterly Session of the First Oklahoma Association convened at the Lexington Free Will Baptist Church.

Services opened with congregation singing led by Rev. Joe Grizzle, with Sister Eunice Lunsford, pianist. Prayer by Rev. Dan Farmer.

Rev. Delbert Akin and daughter Jan sang a duet. Ladies' quartet from the Lexington Church sang a special.

Message presented by Rev. Louis Wickham using Matt. 11:16-19 for text, "What Shall I Liken This Generation?"

Dismissed in prayer.

Saturday, 9:30 A.M. Service, February 17, 1968

The business session opened with congregation singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and "Nothing But the Blood," with Rev. Kermit Argo as leader, Sister Bratcher, pianist.

Moderator Rev. Delbert Akin read scripture from Luke 18:1-8. Prayer by Rev. Lonnie DaVoult.

Letters called for, read, accepted and delegates seated with twenty-five churches reporting.

Petitionary letter from the St. Clair Avenue Free Will Baptist Church read. MSC to receive this church into full fellowship of the First Oklahoma Association and seat the delegates.

MSC that the licensing of Bro. Richard Gallant and Bro. Jerry Haley be referred to the Credential Board.

Rev. Robert Duncan, assistant moderator, read the rules of order.

Rev. and Mrs. Owen Gore, Durant and Rev. Lonnie Sparks, missionary to Ivory Coast, Africa, were recognized as visitors.

Rev. Rue Dell Smith appointed to the Business Committee in the absence of Rev. Ralph Hampton.

Treasurer's report read and accepted.

Dr. J. D. O'Donnell, president of Oklahoma Bible College recognized and gave a report on the progress of OBC.

Business session recessed until 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, 11:00 A.M. Worship Service, February 17, 1968

Worship service opened with congregation singing, "Power in the Blood," led by Rev. Joe Grizzle, with Sister Eunice Lunsford as pianist. and "Just Over in the Glory Land," Prayer by Rev. Lonnie Sparks. Rev. Joe Grizzle sang a solo, "Haven of Rest." Time of meditation and prayer led by Rev. Robert Duncan and Dr. J. D. O'Donnell,

Speaker of the hour, Rev. James Cearley, read Matt. 28:19-20 and John 14:6, using as theme, "Go Ye Therefore." Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Gayle Gardner.

Saturday, 1:00 P.M. Business Session, February 17, 1968

The business session was opened with congregation singing "Far Above the Starry Sky." Devotion given by Rev. Gary Terrell, I Peter 3:8-17. Solo, "Breathe On Me," presented by Sister Marie Davis.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

CTS Board report read and approved.

Credential Board report: We recommend that Bro. Richard H. Gallant of Sunnyslane Church and Bro. Jerry Haley of Noble Church be licensed to preach the Gospel, carried.

Business Committee report: We recommend that a financial committee be appointed to study the proposal of a budget for the association starting in August, 1968, carried.

MSC that the officers of the association and one member from each standing board make up the committee to study a proposed budget.

Oral report from the Mission Board given by Rev. Milburn Wilson. MSC to adopt report and that the Mission Board be given the privilege of electing their own treasurer.

Executive Board reported no activities for the quarter.

Message by Rev. Lonnie Sparks, reading from Acts 20:17-24.

MSC that the association give \$500.00 to the Lonnie Sparks account.

MSC to adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Richard Gallant.

Moderator, Rev. Delbert Akin

Clerk, Mildred Cash

MINUTES OF THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

May 17, 18, 1968

Friday, 7:30 P.M. Service, May 17, 1968

Introductory service for the Third Quarterly Session of the First Oklahoma Association convened at the Northwest Free Will Baptist Church, Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma Bible College was in charge of this meeting. The students of OBC presented a play under the direction of Rev. Eugene Workman. The music program was presented by the OBC choir under the direction of James Thompson.

Rev. Kermit Argo was the speaker of the hour.

Saturday, 9:30 A.M. Service, May 18, 1968

The business session opened with congregation singing led by Bro. Ray Martin.

Devotion was given by Rev. Floyd Vulgamore using as Scripture text Philippians 2:12-13.

Rev. Rue Dell Smith was appointed as clerk pro tem and Rev. Clarence Bruce, Jr. as assistant clerk pro tem.

Letters called for, read, accepted and delegates seated.

Rev. Robert Duncan, Assistant Moderator read rules of order and Moderator Delbert Adkin gave the delegates instructions.

Rev. James Cearley and Rev. Milburn Wilson were appointed to act on business committee for the session.

Treasurer's report read and accepted.

The Business Committee presented the proposed budget for the association as prepared by the budget committee. MSC to lay this item on the table until the Annual Association in August.

Visitors present and spoke a few words to the association were: Bro. Ed Warner, representing the State Sunday School Board; Rev. Henry Van Kluyve, representing the Foreign Missions Department; and Rev. Lonnie Sparks, missionary to Ivory Coast, Africa.

Business session recessed until 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, 11:00 A.M. Worship Service, May 18, 1968

Worship service opened with congregation singing.

Speaker of the hour, Rev. Lonnie DaVoult, read Matt. 26:6-13, using as topic, "Nearer to God Through Worship."

Dismissed in prayer.

Saturday, 1:30 P.M. Business Session, May 18, 1968

The business session was opened with congregation singing. Rev. and Mrs. David Sutton sang special number. Rev. Sutton brought the devotion, reading from II Chronicles 7:14, using as title for devotion, "Youth, the Answer for Revival in America."

Business session opened by moderator, Rev. Delbert Akin.

CTS Board report read and approved.

Credential Board report: We recommend (1) Bro. Alvin Easton of the Lexington First Church be licensed to preach the Gospel for one year (2) Eugene Buchanan of the Edmond Church be ordained as a deacon (3) Bro. Donald E. Bryan of the Moore First Church have his license to preach the Gospel extended for one year, carried.

Rev. Alvin Murphy submitted his resignation from the CTS Board. approved. Rev. Clarence Bruce, Jr., elected to fill the unexpired term on this board.

Mission Board report given by Rev. Milburn Wilson. MSC to accept report and place proposed budget for the support of Rev. Earnie Deeds, missionary to Brazil, on the table until the Annual Association.

Executive Board report given. MSC to make Executive Board the

sole agency to examine new church petitionary letters, and all new churches will come in by letter after being examined by said Board.

Business Committee asked that the Association recommend the Minister's Health Insurance Program adopted by the State Minister's conference to each church. It was also recommended that each church be challenged to pay the cost of the insurance for their pastor. Clerk to write a letter informing each church of this action. MSC to this effect.

Afternoon speakers included, Rev. Dan Farmer, Oklahoma Bible College; Rev. N. R. Smith, State Executive Secretary; Rev. Earnie Deeds, missionary to Brazil.

MSC to give \$300.00 to the Deed's account from the general fund.
MSC to adjourn.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Bill Bratcher.

Moderator, Rev. Delbert Akin

Clerk Pro Tem, Rev. Rue Dell Smith

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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 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 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 regular 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 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 the 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 will work in cooperation with the

State and National Masters Men Organizations in the promotion of Local Master's Men Chapters in the churches of First Oklahoma Association. It shall be the duties of this board to promote and maintain a district Master's Men Organization. (In cooperaion 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. *not a sentence*

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 any time 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 board's 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 denomination 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?.....
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25. If so, state your plans
26. Are you resolved to devote yourself wholly to the ministry?.....
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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 Baptism 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 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?.....
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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 eternal life, and the wicked into a state of punishment?.....
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19. Do you believe that Christ at His second coming will close the Gospel dispensation, glorify his saints and judge the world?.....

Take out of Constitution

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 Free Will Baptist Quarterly Conference of which I am a member.

Signed..... *reverse*

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 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, \$10.00 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 teaches humility, of universal obligation, to be practiced by all believers. (Baptism: Matt. 28:19; Acts 8:36-39; Col. 2:12; Lord's Supper: Mark 14:17; Matt. 26:34; 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 our 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 millennium 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 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 Treatise 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 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.

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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 worship, 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, 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 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 Sab-

bath 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. Appointment of Committees.
9. Unfinished business.
10. New business.
11. Report of Committees.
12. Miscellaneous business.
13. Election of Officers.

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