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OFFICERS, BOARD MEMBERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE
FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
GENERAL OFFICERS

Rev. D. F. Pelt, Moderator
 Rev. W. B. Hughes, Vice-Moderator.....Second St., Chipley, Fla.
 Mrs. Chester H. Pelt, Clerk.....Chipola Jr. College, Marianna, Fla.
 W. W. Eiland, Treasurer.....Rt. 1, Marianna, Fla.

SPECIAL OFFICERS

Miss Ada Holley, Statistician.....Blountstown, Fla.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

O. H. Wilson (1961)	Unknown
T. C. Mitchell (1961)	2819 N. W. 90th St., Miami, Fla.
Rev. Paul Long (1961)	Rt. 4, Chipley, Fla.
Lloyd Crews (1959)	4545 Ramona St., Jacksonville, Fla.
Hugh Peacock (1959)	Blountstown, Fla.

(All other standing Boards are composed of 5 members from one local Association or its Executive Committee. The State Association or its Executive Committee. The State Association shall alternate the Boards to the local Associations annually.)

Planning Board	Northeast Florida Association
Superannuation Board	North Florida Association
Board of Missions	Liberty Association
Board of Education	Salem Association
Sunday School Board	Central Florida Association
League Board	West Florida Association

COMMITTEES

Program Committee for 1959.....Executive Committee
 Credentials Committee for 1959.....Mrs. W. W. Eiland, Mrs. Ruby Pelt,
 Rev. Walter Eldridge

MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED

Liberty District:

Rev. Paul Long—Rt. 4, Chipley, Fla.
Rev. W. B. Hughes—677 Forest Ave., Chipley, Fla.
Rev. Wayne Hicks—123 East Ave., Panama City, Fla.
Rev. Leon Owens—Vernon, Fla.

Salem District:

Rev. Clyde Owen—Malone, Fla.
Rev. I. O. Cook—Rt., Altha, Fla.

Central District:

Rev. Fred L. Bradshaw—Rt. 4, Box 343E, Plant City, Fla.
Rev. Wayne Brown—Rt. 4, Box 46J, Plant City, Fla.
Rev. Robert Owen—308 Granada Road, Auburndale, Fla.

Northeast Florida District:

Rev. D. E. Bias—3480 Commonwealth Ave., Jacksonville, Fla.

North Florida District:

Rev. H. A. Grubbs—Perry, Fla.

South Florida District:

Rev. Albert L. McFarland—3310 N. W. 102 St., Miami, Fla.
Rev. Theo J. Buck—500 S. W. 62 Ave., W. Hollywood, Fla.

West Florida District:

Rev. H. L. Henderson—Rt. 1, Box 199, Atmore, Ala.

From Local Churches:

First F. W. B. Church, Margate, Fla., Rev. A. V. Mitchell
First F. W. B. Church, Pensacola, Fla., Rev. L. V. Pinson
First F. W. B. Church, Margate, Fla., Rev. T. D. Mathis

VISITING MINISTERS

Rev. W. Burkette Raper—Mt. Olive Junior College, Mount Olive, N. C.
Rev. William Mishler—3801 Richland Ave., Nashville, Tenn.
Rev. J. O. Fort—807 West Fifth St., Ayden, N. C.

DEACONS WHO REGISTERED

W. W. Eiland—Rt. 1, Marianna, Fla.
Walter F. Rice—Tampa, Fla.
W. E. Holley—Box 5297, Pensacola, Fla.
Chester Cook—Rt. 2, Altha, Fla.
T. C. Mitchell—2821 N. W. 90th St., Miami, Fla.
G. H. Cayton—18,000 N. W. 19th Ave., Miami, Fla.
G. W. Cloud—Box 461, Eau Gollie, Fla.
Lacy Crawford—Rt. 1, Bonifay, Fla.
Jasper Brown—Rt. 1, Pompano Beach, Fla.

ASSOCIATIONAL DELEGATES REGISTERED

North Florida District: Mrs. Lillian Grubbs; Miss Martha Touchton, Miss Elizabeth Carlton, Mrs. Nina Belle Grubbs
 Central Florida District: Rose Brannen, Mamie Page, Mrs. Hazel Dawson, Mrs. Earl Rodgers, Leonard P. Black
 Salem District: Ruby C. Pelt, Mrs. Chester Cook, Mrs. Louise Cook
 Liberty District: Carl Owen, Mrs. Mamie Poole
 Northeast Florida District: Mrs. D. E. Bias
 West Florida District: Mrs. J. C. Dortch, Mrs. H. L. Henderson, Mrs. Weldon Hall

CHURCH DELEGATES REGISTERED

Mrs. Fred L. Bradshaw, New Hope, Plant City, Fla.
 Catherine Parrish, First Church, Auburndale, Fla.
 Mrs. L. V. Pinson, First Church, Pensacola, Fla.
 Mrs. W. W. Eiland, Marvin Chapel, Marianna, Fla.
 Mrs. Jeanette Johnson, First Church, Haines City, Fla.
 Mrs. Chester H. Pelt, Hickory Grove, Bascom, Fla.
 Mrs. Wayne Hicks, First Church, Panama City, Fla.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lamb, Christian Home, Blountstown, Fla.
 Mrs. M. W. Owens, Piney Grove, Chipley, Fla.
 Mrs. Josephine Mitchell, Margate Church, Hollywood, Fla.
 Mrs. G. D. Mathis, Margate, Hollywood, Fla.
 Bob Branen, Tampa, Fla.

DISTRICT MODERATORS AND CLERKS

<i>District</i>	<i>Moderator</i>	<i>Clerk</i>
Liberty	Rev. W. B. Hughes Chipley, Fla.	Rev. Wayne Hicks 123 East Ave., Panama City, Fla.
Salem	Rev. Roy Bozeman Tallahassee, Fla.	Chester L. Cook Rt. 1, Altha, Fla.
North Florida	Rev. Woodrow Messex Tallahassee, Fla.	Mrs. Lillian Grubbs Rt. 1, Box 137 Perry, Fla.
Northeast Florida	Rev. J. C. Jamison 1957-58 Rev. D. E. Bias 1958-59	W. L. Collins 218 Shortread St. Jacksonville, Fla.
Central Florida	Rev. Robert Owen 308 Granada Rd. Auburndale, Fla.	Rev. J. W. Finley 901 Governor Ave. Orlando, Fla.
West Florida	Rev. H. L. Henderson Atmore, Ala.	Mrs. Bernice Purvis Rt. 1, Box 120 McDavis, Fla.
South Florida	Rev. Albert McFarland Miami, Fla.	Charles Lyday 12,220 W. 21 St. Miami, Fla.

PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 30

The fourteenth annual session of the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists was opened with the delegation and visitors singing, "Power in the Blood," and "Toiling On," directed by Mr. Chester Cook of Altha, Fla. Mrs. Cook was at the piano. Rev. Albert McFarland led the congregation in the opening prayer.

Rev. Robert Owen of Auburndale, led the evening devotions using Romans 10:1, 2. The theme for the meditation was "A Desire to See the Lost Saved."

The clerk being, Rev. Albert McFarland, pastor of the local church introduced the officers of the Association.

The Moderator, Rev. D. F. Pelt, called the Association into official session and appointed Mrs. Chester H. Pelt to act as clerk pro-tem until an Associational clerk could be elected to fill the unexpired term of Rev. W. A. Hansley, who has entered school in Nashville, Tenn., to prepare for service as a missionary in South America. Rev. Robert Owen, Rev. L. V. Pinson, Rev. H. A. Grubbs were named as a Committee on Committees.

After extending a warm welcome to all delegates and visitors present the pastor of the church, Rev. Albert McFarland, asked his wife to join him in rendering a special message in song, "I Have a Saviour."

Rev. W. B. Hughes introduced the speaker for the evening message, Rev. Bill Mishler, who read as his theme, "Evangelism," in challenging the Association. The benediction was given by Rev. W. Burkette Raper of North Carolina. The meeting adjourned until 10:00 o'clock Friday morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 31

The session opened with the singing of "How Firm a Foundation." Rev. Fred L. Bradshaw led in prayer. Rev. Jack Buck of Miami, led our morning meditation, reading Romans 12:1 as a text.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given by the chairman. MCS* to receive the report and seat the delegates. (See Committee Reports.)

Visitors recognized were: Rev. Bill Mishler, Rev. J. O. Fort, Rev. Burkette Raper, E. C. Davidson.

MSC to receive the report of Committee on Committees. MCS to receive the report of the Planning Board. MSC to adopt the report by sections.

A special message in song, "I Am Satisfied With Jesus," was rendered by Mrs. C. H. Pelt. The Rev. J. O. Fort introduced the speaker for the morning worship service. Rev. Burkette Raper used 2 Timothy 1:3 as the text for the message on "Christian Education." The service was concluded by the congregation singing "Onward Christian Soldiers," and the benediction by Rev. H. L. Henderson.

A very delicious lunch was served by the South Florida Association and enjoyed by all.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

After a congregational song, Rev. H. A. Grubbs led the devotional using as a text 1 Timothy 3:15, 16.

MSC to adopt the report of the Board of Trustees of the Youth Camp.
MSC to adopt the report of the Camp Superintendent.

MSC to adopt the report of the Sunday School Board. MSC to adopt the report of the Board of Education.

At this point the Moderator recognized Rev. Burkette Raper, President of Mount Olive Junior College, Mount Olive, N. C., and asked him to give a report of College. MSC that the first page of his report appear in the minutes of this session of this Association. Rev. J. O. Fort was asked to give a report of the Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, N. C. Rev. Bill Mishler was asked to give a report of the National Sunday School Board.

A letter of greeting from Rev. W. A. Hansley was read. MSC that the clerk write a letter of appreciation for services in the past to Rev. and Mrs. Hansley and that she include words of encouragement in their present field of work.

Mrs. Chester H. Pelt was elected to fill the unexpired term of Rev. W. A. Hansley as Clerk of the State Association.

MSC to adopt the report of the Treasurer.

The South Florida Association served for supper fish with all the trimmings and it was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

FRIDAY NIGHT

MSC to adopt the report of the Board of Missions.

After a special message in song, Rev. Albert McFarland introduced the speaker for the evening, Rev. Melitino Martinez, pastor of the Cuban Free Will Baptist Church of Miami. Rev. Martinez spoke through an interpreter, Aleida Legre, and used as his text John 4:35-38. Mrs. Martinez rendered a solo in Spanish which we recognized by the melody as, "In the Glory of His Presence." An offering was received for the Cuban Free Will Baptist Church of Miami in the amount of \$63.23. After the benediction the South Florida Association served ice cream and cake which was enjoyed along with wonderful Christian fellowship.

SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 1

The morning meditations were led by Rev. Clyde Owens who used as a text Romans 10:14-17.

MSC that the report of the Superannuation Board be adopted.

MSC that the oral report of the League Board be adopted and that the written report be mailed to the Clerk to be placed in the minutes.

MSC that the report of the Resolutions Committee be adopted.

MSC that the report of the Nominating Committee be adopted.

MSC that the Finance Committee's report be adopted.

MSC that the report of the Credentials Committee be adopted.

MSC that the report of the Woman's Auxiliary be adopted.

MSC that the clerk insert the dates of the next Association on the front cover of the minutes.

MSC that the Moderator of the West Florida (League Board for 1958-59) Association be charged with the responsibility of seeing that the State League Convention is held this year, due to the fact that the Rev. W. A. Hansley, president, has moved from the State of Florida.

MSC that the front cover of the minutes carry the name of the Association as printed in the Constitution and Bylaws, Article 1, Section 1.

Delegates to the National Association announced that local churches may send delegates to the National body next year and advised those interested to consult the 1958 National Minutes for details.

MSC to adjourn. The meeting was concluded with prayer.

*Motion Made, Seconded, Carried.

Reports of Boards and Committees

CREDENTIALS REPORT

	Number	Delegates	Fees
District Associations	7	23	\$123.00
Local Churches	11	13	48.00
Ministers	18	18	36.00
Deacons	9	9	18.00
Totals		63	225.00
Visitors, 4			
Visiting Ministers, 3			
Corresponding Delegates, 1			

Respectfully submitted,
Credentials Committee

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

We, your Committee on Committees, wish to make the following report:

Finance Committee: W. W. Eiland, Rev. Clyde Owens, Rev. Albert McFarland.

Nominating Committee: W. E. Holley, Rev. Paul Long, Rev. Harvey Henderson.

Resolutions Committee: Carl Owen, Chester Cook, Rev. Jack Buck.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. H. A. Grubbs

Rev. L. V. Pinson

Rev. Robert Owen

The members of the Planning Board submit the following resolutions and recommendations:

1. Be it resolved that a Minister's and Deacon's summer camp be held at the Youth Camp during the summer of 1959, and for each ensuing year, if the first session proves successful. We nominate Rev. W. B. Hughes, Rev. Chester Pelt and Hugh Peacock as a Committee to plan and be responsible for the first session.

2. Be it resolved that the trustees of the Youth Camp be authorized to dispose of the old Camp site south of Cottondale, and that they be instructed to do everything within reason to satisfy the party of the first part.

3. Be it resolved that the 1959 session of the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists convene at the new camp site, and that the Salem and Liberty Associations sponsor this session. The Camp Superintendent will act as official host.

4. Be it resolved that the Nominating Committee be asked to assign the Board of Education to an Association near the camp site each year.

5. Be it resolved that the Salem Association act as caretaker of the Youth Camp for the coming year and that Hickory Grove Church serve as a Committee on this project.

6. Be it resolved that the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists endorse the Mount Olive Junior College, Mount Olive, North Carolina, and that we pledge our prayers and support to this worthy cause.

7. We recommend the following per cent budget of our co-operative funds:

National Co-Operative Program, 45%

Florida State Program, 50%

State Treasurer's Expense, 5%

Florida State funds are to be divided as follows:

Orphanage, 15%

Superannuation, 15%

Youth Camp, 50%

Evangelism, 20%

Respectfully Submitted,
Salem Association

The Board of Trustees of the Youth Camp wish to submit the following report:

The Board of Trustees met at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Bonifay, on January 25, 1958, with 5 of the 7 Districts represented. The Board met to make plans to build a dormitory and a dining hall-kitchen for the Youth Camp. It was brought out that the old Central School property near Marianna, Fla., would soon be disposed of. Rev. Daniel Pelt was appointed to investigate the possibility of obtaining this property for a Youth Camp site. This property was obtained for the sum of \$1,080.00 and has been valued by some at \$50,000.00. The Youth camp sessions and the Camp Meeting were held there this past summer with a great measure of success.

We urge our churches to send contributions and offerings above the co-operative funds allocated.

A loan of \$1,500.00 was obtained for use in repairing the building.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Trustees
Paul Long, *Chairman*

1958 REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE FLORIDA STATE FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP

Two sessions of youth encampment were held this year, 52 attended one week and 57 the other. With the exception of one, every district Association in the state was represented by some of its youth. We had one camper from Alabama and one from Georgia. Several of these boys and girls were saved while they were at camp, and to our knowledge some of them upon returning home joined the church and were baptized.

Appreciation is hereby expressed to all committees, pastors, churches, teachers, cooks and many others for their efforts in making this a most successful year for our youth.

Financial Report

Money Received from Campers (\$7.00 Each)	\$749.00	
Gifts and Miscellaneous Income	114.51	
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Total Receipts		\$863.51
Paid Out:		
Oil	\$.47	
Postage Stamps	3.93	
Phone Bill	4.99	
Groceries and Supplies	148.87	
Candy and Drinks	119.20	
Teachers	185.00	
Cooks	145.00	
Insurance	59.64	
Film	15.00	
Literature	15.00	
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Total Paid Out		695.90
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Balance Submitted to State Treasurer		\$167.61

Camp Meeting Statement

Offerings and Personal Gifts	\$200.00	
Miscellaneous Income	36.03	
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Total Received		\$236.64
Expenditures:		
Candy and Drinks	\$ 39.45	
Gasoline	3.70	
Evangelist	100.00	
Cooks	50.00	
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Total Expenditures		193.15
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Balance Submitted to State Treasurer		\$43.49

Outstanding bills: Lights, Gas, Dr. Pepper Co.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Hicks

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

We, your Sunday School Board, wish to commend the churches and District Sunday School Conventions for the good work they are doing in teaching our people the Doctrines of the Bible and encourage you to do everything possible to make the wonderful work grow.

We suggest that more District Conventions be organized and that a State Sunday School Convention be effected.

Respectfully submitted,
North Florida Association

Note: By general assent of the body the Sunday School Board for 1959 will see that the State Sunday School Convention is organized.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

We, the Board of Education, recommend that the Camp Meeting be made independent, and that the officers of the Camp Meeting be elected from the attending body of the meeting. The officers of the Camp Meeting shall be responsible to the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists.

The Board of Education together with the Camp Superintendent is to serve as Camp Meeting Committee until such organization can be perfected.

We recommend that \$900.00 be transferred from the Camp Operational fund to the Camp Building fund.

Report of Mount Olive Junior College

TO THE FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

October 30, 31, 1958

Greetings:

Mount Olive Junior College is grateful for this opportunity to present its work to our friends in the state of Florida.

Our college is dedicated to the task of helping to provide Christian higher education for the Free Will Baptist denomination. Mount Olive Junior College is chartered by the North Carolina State Convention of Free Will Baptists, but its doors are open to all of our people. The following resolution was passed unanimously at the 1958 session:

"That, as an act of Christian brotherhood, the North Carolina State Convention officially go on record as offering the educational services of Mount Olive Junior College to Free Will Baptists everywhere."

Furthermore, two out-of-state men have been added to the Board of Directors: the Reverend Daniel F. Pelt, president of your own State Association, and the Reverend Fred S. Powers, moderator of the South Carolina Conference of Free Will Baptists. Other out-of-town representatives will be added as the size of the Board is increased from its present membership of twelve to eighteen.

Mount Olive Junior College began operation as a junior college in September of 1954 with 22 students; our enrollment for the current semester is 143. These students are preparing for nineteen different vocations, which include teaching, the Christian ministry and missions, secretarial work, business administration, engineering, medicine, music, journalism, home economics and agriculture.

Formal accreditation by the North Carolina College Conference and the State Department of Education is expected on November 6. We are working toward regional accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools by December, 1959.

The kind of college we aspire to build is one that will:

1. Be thoroughly Christian in its student body, faculty, program of study, and extra-curricular activities.
2. Be true and loyal to the faith and heritage of the Free Will Baptist denomination.
3. Maintain approved academic standards for the benefit of our students.
4. Provide financial aid for all worthy and needy students.

"The future belongs to those who prepare for it."

W. Burkette Raper, *President*

TREASURER'S REPORT 1957 AND 1958

General Fund:

Balance October 27, 1957	\$199.92	
Association Dues	242.00	
Total Receipts and Old Balances		\$441.92

Disbursements:

W. B. Hughes, Moderator	\$ 25.00	
W. W. Biland, Treasurer	25.00	
W. A. Hansley, Clerk	25.00	
W. A. Hansley, Postage	24.47	
National Association Dues	45.00	
Dennis Printing Company—Minutes	207.35	
Total Disbursements		351.82

Balance General Fund	\$ 90.10
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Co-Operative Fund:

Balance October 27, 1957:		
Church Extension	\$221.78	
Evangelism	615.28	
Treasury Expense	185.17	
Total Balances	\$1,022.23	

Receipts:

Associations:

West Florida Liberty	\$1,501.66
Salem	1,247.34
North Florida	144.81
North East Florida	40.00

Churches:

First Church Pensacola	233.36
Bethel Church Pensacola	380.88

Ladies Auxiliary:

Liberty District	18.70
Salem District	10.50
Woman's State Convention	20.00

Miscellaneous:

Youth Camp Dues	167.61
Camp Meeting Offering	43.49
Refund—C. A. Huckaby, Youth Camp Operating Fund	127.60

Total Receipts and Old Balances	\$4,958.18
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Disbursements:

Transfer of Funds—Evangelism to Youth Camp	\$ 615.28	
National Co-Operative Program	1,610.79	
Treasury Expense	273.85	
Youth Camp Operating Fund:		
Insurance	126.54	
Lights and Water	40.86	
Superintendent's Salary	150.00	
Children's Home	277.47	
Superannuation	67.92	
Total Disbursements		3,162.71
Balance Co-Operative Fund		\$1,795.47
Co-Operative Fund Balances:		
Treasury Expense	\$ 90.29	
Youth Camp Operating Fund	921.70	
Evangelism	357.96	
Superannuation	203.74	
Church Extension	221.78	
		\$1,795.47

Designated Funds:

	Foreign Missions	Home Missions
Liberty Mission Board	\$ 602.50	\$253.95
For Hanna Fund	382.70	
For Lonnie Sparks Fund	14.20	
For Miami Mission		111.92

Churches:

Christian Home		17.85
Lovewood		8.50
First Church Pensacola	12.47	14.19
For Miami Mission		9.00
Shilo		15.00
For Miami Mission		5.00

Woman's Auxiliary:

State	7.07	19.87
For French West Africa	72.00	
Salem	2.00	2.00
Christian Home for Africa	20.65	
Malone		6.00
Bonifay		3.00
First Church Pensacola		5.90

Liberty		4.45
North Florida for Africa	42.00	
Mt. Carmel	7.00	
Total		
Total	\$1,162.59	\$476.63
Woman's State Auxiliary		
For Student Loan Fund	\$ 13.73	
Christian Home Church		
For Mt. Olive Junior College	100.00	
Special Offering at Association		
For Bible College	45.20	
Total Other		158.93
Total Receipts		\$1,798.15
Disbursements:		
Foreign Missions		\$1,162.59
Home Missions		476.63
W. N. A. C. Student Loan Fund		13.73
Mt. Olive Junior College		100.00
Bible College		45.20
Total Disbursements		\$1,789.15
Youth Camp Building Fund:		
Balance October 27, 1957		\$ 335.00
Receipts:		
State League Board		1,300.57
Special Offering State Association		44.45
C. L. Cook		25.00
W. L. Eldridge		50.00
Daniel Owen		50.00
Bernard Owens		25.00
Marie Owens		10.00
Bernard Shutes		15.00
Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Poole		5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Buck Barnes		50.00
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Powell		25.00
Mrs. Lonzy Barnes		5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kent		10.00
Alvin Howell		10.00
W. H. Toole		25.00
Rev. and Mrs. Bill George		10.00
John T. Harrell		6.00
Carl Owens		25.00
Marglin Willis		10.00

Churches:

First Church Pensacola	26.80	
Piney Grove	150.00	
Poplar Head	154.00	
Abigail	95.00	
St. John	43.75	
Chipley	682.36	
Grace	10.00	
Auburndale	91.36	
Mt. Carmel	19.47	
Salem	25.00	
Marvin Chapel	41.25	
Travelers' Rest		50.00
Christian Home	136.00	
North Florida Association	100.00	
Woman's Auxiliaries		
State	165.54	
Liberty	70.50	
Piney Grove	10.00	
Marvin Chapel	16.00	
North Florida	19.00	
Sunday Schools:		
Mt. Carmel	27.86	
Salem	25.00	

League:

Adult 110th Street Jacksonville	18.05
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Special Offerings:

First Session Youth Camp	73.79
Second Session Youth Camp	80.16
Camp Meeting	179.53

Total Receipts and Old Balance		\$4,346.44
Transferred from Evangelism Fund	\$ 615.28	
Loan from Marvin Owens	1,500.00	2,115.28
Total Receipts to Account For		\$6,461.72

Disbursements:

Bob Lawson for Camp Site	\$400.00
Jackson County Board of Public Instruction For Central School Building	680.00
B. W. Bowles, Recording Deed	6.70
Total Cost of Building and Camp Site	\$1,086.70

Repairing Building:

Labor	\$2,130.69	
Material and Supplies	2,713.37	
Total Cost of Repairs		4,844.06
Marvin Owens on Loan		500.00
Total Disbursements		\$6,430.76
Balance Youth Camp Building Fund		\$ 30.96
Youth Camp Building Fund Balances:		
Tile for Kitchen	\$18.00	
Lunch Counter	3.94	
General Building Fund	9.02	
Total		\$ 30.96

Memos

Chipley—Value of Gas Storage Tank Given	\$125.00
Balance due Marvin Owens on Loan	\$1,000.00

RECAPITULATION OF TREASURER'S REPORT

October 27, 1957 to October 27, 1958

	Beginning Balance	Total Receipts	Total Beg. Bal.' Rec'ts	Total Disbursed	Balance
General Fund	\$ 199.92	\$ 242.00	\$ 441.92	\$ 351.82	\$ 90.10
Co-Operative Fund	1,022.23	3,935.95	4,958.18	3,162.71	1,795.47
Youth Camp Building Fund	335.00	6,126.72	6,461.72	6,430.76	30.96
Grand Totals	\$1,557.15	\$10,304.67	\$11,861.82	\$9,945.29	\$1,916.53
Balance First Bank of Marianna, Marianna, Fla., October 27, 1958					\$1,916.53

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. Biland, *Treasurer*

BOARD OF MISSIONS

We, the Mission Board, recommend that each Association help the National Mission Board support the Cuban Free Will Baptist Church in Miami, and that the Mission Board (Liberty Association for 1958-59) be charged to promote this cause.

Respectfully submitted,

Central Florida Association

SUPERANNUATION BOARD

Balance in Treasury, October 30, 1958.....\$303.52

We have received no applications for insurance or Superannuation aid during the past year.

Upon investigation, we find that Rev. I. O. Cook is eligible for Superannuation aid, and we recommend that he receive \$20.00 (twenty) a month, beginning December 1st, 1958.

We recommend that all ministers and full-time Christian workers that are eligible for Superannuation aid, make application through their District Association, and then said application be approved by the Florida State Superannuation Board.

We recommend that all Superannuation treasury monies be turned over to our state treasurer for proper distribution.

Respectfully Submitted,
South Florida Association

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, the Resolutions Committee, ask the body to give a rising vote of thanks to the South Florida Association (First Free Will Baptist Church of Miami, Wiona Park Church, Golden Glade Church) for the wonderful way they have entertained us during this session of the State Association.

Respectfully submitted,
Chester Cook
Carl Owen
Rev. Jack Buck

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee, wish to make the following report:

1. We recommend that Brother Marvin Owens and Brother W. A. Fletcher be dropped from the Board of Trustees in order to comply with the number specified in the Constitution of the State Association.

2. Standing Boards:

Planning Board, Northeast Florida Association
Superannuation Board, North Florida Association
Board of Missions, Liberty Association
Board of Education, Salem Association
Sunday School Board, Central Florida Association
League Board, West Florida Association

3. Program Committee for 1959 will be the Executive Committee.

4. Credentials Committee for 1959 will be Mrs. W. W. Eiland, Mrs. Ruby Pelt, Rev. Walter Eldridge.

5. Delegates to the National Association: Mrs. Ruby Pelt, Mrs. Mildred Pelt, Mrs. J. W. Lamb, Mrs. Lillian Grubbs, Mrs. I. O. Cook.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Holley

Rev. Paul Long

Rev. Harvey Henderson

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Associational Fees	\$225.00
Special Offering for Cuban Free Will Baptist Church of Miami	63.23
Total	\$288.23

Woman's State Auxiliary Convention

October 25, 1958

1. Membership Report

Number Registered at this Convention.....	91
Number of Members October 25, 1958.....	298
Number of New Members Gained in 1957-58.....	13
Seasons of Prayer Observed.....	5
Youth Auxiliaries Sponsored: YPA.....	7
G. T. A.....	7
B. A.....	1
Tiny Tots.....	1
Number of Souls Won.....	12
Number of Study Classes Conducted.....	35

This report was made possible by the following:

Salem District
Liberty District
Northeast Florida District
Central Florida District
Miami (local)
First Church Pensacola (local)
Mt. Carmel, Perry, (local)

3. Financial Report

Cash in Bank, Oct. 25, 1957	\$ 21.64
Total Receipts (Nov. 1957—Oct. 1958)	484.07
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Total to Account For	\$505.71
Total Disbursements (Nov. 1957—Oct. 1958)	496.99
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Cash in Bank, Oct. 25, 1958	\$ 8.72

OFFICERS OF WSAC

President—Mrs. Chester H. Pelt, Marianna, Fla.
Vice-President—Mrs. Genevive Vreeland, Jacksonville, Fla.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. W. W. Eiland, Marianna, Fla.
Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Ada Holley, Blountstown, Fla.
Youth Chairman—Mrs. Joyce Kirkland, Chipley, Fla.
Study Course Chairman—Mrs. Jerry Wilfong, Tampa, Fla.
Stewardship Chairman—Mrs. Wayne Hicks, Panama City, Fla.
Personal Service Chairman—Mrs. Herman Grubbs, Perry, Fla.

The next meeting will be held at the Auburndale Church on October 24, 1959.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Chester H. Pelt, *President*

LEAGUE BOARD

No Written Report Received

Outline of oral report as given by Rev. Bias

We recommend:

1. That, if possible, the League Board be assigned to the Association in which the President of the State League Convention resides.
2. That a special course on League be taught in each District.
3. That each local church organize a League.
4. That more local Leagues mail quarterly reports, with dues, to the National League Board.

Constitution and Bylaws

OF THE FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST STATE ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION PREAMBLE:

Preamble:

We, the Free Will Baptists of Florida, for the sake of power that comes of unity and oneness of purpose; for the advancement of the cause of Christ; for the Glory of God and the good of mankind do ordain and establish this constitution and bylaws:

ARTICLE I. NAME OF ASSEMBLY

Section 1. This assembly shall be known as "The Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists."

ARTICLE II. OFFICERS AND BOARDS

Boards, Delegates and Fees and time of meeting.

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be: A Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Secretary, a Treasurer, an Executive Board, Planning Board, Board of Missions (Home and Foreign), an Educational Board, Board of Superannuation, Sunday School Board, League Board and Board of Trustees and any other officers and Boards that this Association may decide while in session to add because of changes of necessity. This Association shall convene annually on Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in November.

Section 2. This Association shall be composed of delegates elected from the local associations, belonging to this body, delegates elected from the local churches embraced by the various associations and churches.

The delegates shall be elected as follows: One delegate from each local church composed of one hundred members or fraction thereof, and one delegate for each additional hundred members, or fraction, thereof; five delegates from each Association composed of fifteen churches, or a fraction thereof. The additional delegates cannot be used unless the churches are active and are represented in the session in which they are appointed.

Fees are \$10.00 for an Association with five (5) churches, Associations with more than 5 churches, fees are \$20.00; and for churches \$4.00 per delegate. All deacons and ministers are standing delegates. Fees are \$2.00 for deacons and ministers.

Section 3. Ministers cannot be appointed as delegates from the local associations or churches. All visitors and ministers who do not belong to or pastor for this body can only be seated as honorary members.

Section 4. All churches and associations representing in this body shall

pay entrance fee annually. The amount of this fee shall be determined by the body while in session and may be changed by a two-thirds vote in any session.

Section 5. All funds coming into this body shall be spent under a budget plan. This budget must be approved by the body while in session and no funds may be used in any way except as budgeted.

Section 6. It shall be the duty and power of the delegates of this body to make all laws which shall be necessary for the carrying on of the work of this Association, and these laws must be in keeping with this constitution and must be kept on records so conflicting regulations may be avoided.

Section 7. Fifty (50) per cent of the delegates elect shall constitute a quorum.

Section 8. All officers except board members shall be elected to serve a term of two years.

Section 9. Any officer may be re-elected as the body shall see fit, but officers, or nominees, must give his consent to serve willingly.

Section 10. When vacancies occur either by death or removal from office, or by resignation the body shall fill vacancy either by proxy or by election of officer to the vacancy at any regular session of the body and the proxy may be appointed by the body to fill any absentee's place who does not attend the session.

Section 11. Election years shall be odd years. Thus the regular elections shall take place on odd years of the calendar.

Section 12. Each standing Board shall be composed of 5 members from one local Association, with the exception of the Board of Trustees and said members shall be elected by the local Association or its Executive Committee. The State Association shall alternate the Boards to the local Associations annually. These Boards are hereby asked to make their reports to their local Associations before they are presented to the State Association.

The Board of Trustees shall be composed of one (1) member from each Association and their term of office shall be four (4) years. Two being elected at each election for only a term of two years. Thereafter all shall be elected as specified herein.

Section 13. This body shall have and does reserve the right to deal with any officer or board member who does not conduct his or her office in a Christian and business-like manner according to the rules of Christian conduct laid down in the teachings of the New Testament. Thus the right to discipline in this body is confined to this body, but a charge against a member of this body and the members of local churches shall constitute a charge against said member in this body and the body shall abide accordingly thereby.

ARTICLE III. DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND BOARDS

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside over all deliberations of this body while in session.

Section 2. The Moderator shall have the power to rule measures out of order providing this ruling is sustained by one third of the delegates present.

Section 3. The Vice-Moderator shall assume the duties, right and privileges of the Moderator in his absence.

Section 4. The Vice-Moderator shall be ex-officio member of all boards and committees.

Section 5. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to make and keep records of all the business proceedings and activities of this body.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds, pay all bills and keep records of receipts and disbursements.

Section 7. All officers and board members must be Free Will Baptists who are in good standing in their respective churches and associations, must belong to this body and must, when elected, live within bounds of the Association. The Treasurer must give bond.

Section 8. It shall be the duty of the planning board to provide general plans for this Association, make the budget and regulate fees.

Section 9. The Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Reading Clerk and Statistician shall act as the Executive Board. This Board shall have full authority to do all acts for and in the name of the Association when the Association is not in session.

Section 10. It shall be the duty of the Mission Board to make plans for church extension and operate any state mission work and also work in the interest of the foreign mission program of the National Association. It shall be the duty of Mission Board to help make our people missionary minded.

Section 11. It shall be the duty of the educational board to make plans for operating the Florida Training Camp and Christian education for Christian workers. This board shall keep our National and State educational work before our people. It shall be their duty to create interest in Christian education.

Section 12. Board of Trustees shall be 5 in number, to be selected by the association. Their duties shall be to take and hold all real property of the Association.

They shall further have full charge and responsibility for the maintenance of the Training Camp and Tabernacle.

Section 13. It shall be the duty of the Superannuation Board to make general plans for superannuation for aged ministers, and to co-operate with the

National Association in providing insurance protection for our younger ministers.

BYLAWS TO SECTION 13

PURPOSE—

The purpose of the program is to make possible for active Free Will Baptist ministers and full-time Christian workers the following benefits:

1. Protection for loved ones in case of untimely death. (Face value of insurance policy with accumulated dividends.)
2. A regular income in case of total and permanent disability.
3. Income from retirement to death.
4. The above benefits shall be provided through and by the provisions of the State and National Superannuation program.

PLAN—

The National Board finances this program with funds sent from the State Superannuation Boards. The State Treasurer keeps 75 per cent of these funds for the operation of the State program, and will send 25 per cent to the National Treasurer.

AMOUNTS OF BENEFITS FROM STATE TREASURER

The amount of monthly benefits shall be governed by the following rules:

1. The amount shall be \$10 per month to the disabled minister or Christian worker, and to be increased (not to exceed \$25) if the total amount in the state treasury permits, but in no case shall this be done if it will prevent all payments to be made for the Associational year to all those receiving benefits.

ELIGIBILITY—

The above benefits shall be paid monthly to the following:

1. To any Free Will Baptist minister or full-time Christian worker who is a member in good standing of a church in the Florida State Association who has a total of permanent disability or upon reaching the age of 70 years.
2. The titles given above Free Will Baptist minister or full-time Christian worker shall be as follows to Free Will Baptist ministers who have either pastored or done full-time evangelistic or teaching work for 10 years. Christian workers shall have done full-time Christian work as teachers of missionaries (Home and Foreign) or evangelistic work for 10 years for the Free Will Baptist church.
3. Applications must be made to and approved by the Florida State Superannuation Board, while in private session.

4. That the traveling expense of Board members shall be paid for all Board meetings by the board.

ARTICLE IV. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Amendments to this constitution must be put before the body while in session one day before voted on, and must be read at least twice and passed by two thirds of the delegates present. All amendments must be ratified by three of the associations, now belonging to the body and by a majority of the associations belonging to same, should other associations join us in the future.