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

General Officers

Moderator—Rev. Irvin Hyman, 2816 Edison Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida

Vice-Moderator—Rev. A. L. McFarland, 2815 N. W. 91st St., Miami, Florida

Clerk—Rev. Robert Owen, 610 Poinsetta Road, Auburndale, Florida

Treasurer—Rev. Leon Owens, Vernon, Florida

Special Officer

Statistician—Miss Ada Holley, Blountstown, Florida

Board of Trustees

1959, Lloyd Crews, 4545 Ramona St., Jacksonville, Florida

1959, Hugh Peacock, Blountstown, Florida

1961, T. C. Mitchell, 2819 N. W. 90 St., Miami, Florida

1961, W. L. Collins, 218 Shortread St., Jacksonville, Florida

1961, Walter F. Rice, Tampa, Florida

1963, Ernest Owen, Chipley, Florida

1963, Harvey Henderson, Route 1, Box 199, Atmore, Alabama

(All other standing boards are composed of five members from one local association, 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. Article II, Section 12).

Planning Board—Liberty Association

Superannuation Board—Salem Association

Sunday School Board—South Florida Association

League Board—Central Association

Missions Board—West Florida Association

Education Board—Northeast Florida Association

Committees

Program Committee—Executive Board

Credentials Committee—Rev. Q. Hansley, W. L. Collins, Mrs. Irvin Hyman

MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED

Liberty District:

W. E. George, Route 1, Bonifay, Fla.

Leon Owens, Vernon, Fla.

Wayne Hicks, Panama City, Fla.

Harold Harrison, Chipley, Fla.

Freeman R. Edwards, Chipley, Fla.

D. W. Poole, Bonifay, Fla.

Salem District:

Daniel F. Pelt, Route 1, Grand Ridge, Fla.

Alvin Howell, Marianna, Fla.

Chester H. Pelt, Chipola Jr. College, Marianna, Fla.
Walter Eldridge, Cottondale, Fla.
Clyde Owen, Malone, Fla.
I. O. Cook, Altha, Fla.
J. W. Roberts, Cypress, Fla.
W. S. Driggers, Cottondale, Fla.
Charles B. Craddock, Dothan, Ala.

Central District:

Fred L. Bradshaw, Route 4, Box 1025, Plant City, Fla.
Robert Owen, Auburndale, Fla.
Bob Wilfong, Tampa, Fla.

Northeast District:

Q. Hansley, 2830 Addison Ave., Jacksonville, Fla.
Irvin Hyman, Jacksonville, Fla.

South Florida District:

Albert McFarland, Miami, Fla.
William Travis, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

West Florida District:

H. L. Henderson, Atmore, Ala.

Broward District:

James Waldrep, West Hollywood, Fla.
A. V. Mitchell, Margate, Fla.
Curtis L. Jackson, Margate, Fla.

From Local Churches:

L. V. Pinson, 50 Murphy Lane, Pensacola, Fla.

VISITING MINISTERS

Ernest M. Kennedy, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
C. A. Huckaby, Alma, Ga.
Tom Hamilton, Glennville, Ga.
Rufus Hyman, Slocumb, Ala.
H. L. Knighton, Albany, Ga.
L. C. Johnson, Nashville, Tenn.
Kenneth Walker, Nashville, Tenn.
J. N. Barnes, Blakely, Ga.
J. O. Fort, Ayden, N. C.
Burkette Raper, Mt. Olive, N. C.

DEACONS WHO REGISTERED

E. G. Suggs, Altha
Everette Day, Marianna
W. W. Eiland, Marianna
C. D. Owens, Chipley
G. W. Cloud, Melbourne
J. D. Benefield, Plant City

W. L. Collins, Jacksonville
W. E. Holley, Pensacola
Ernest Owens, Chipley
J. R. Long, Bascom
Troy Smith, Ft. Lauderdale
A. J. Pitts, Chipley
Walter Baxter, Bascom
D. G. Cook, Altha
Roscoe Hewitt, Marianna
George Hatcher, Bascom
Walter Rice, Tampa
Hugh Peacock, Blountstown
Joe Spears, Blountstown
J. L. Hall, Malone
J. G. Johnson, Bascom
Jim Ditty, Bascom

ASSOCIATION DELEGATES WHO REGISTERED

Central: John Watson
Salem: Mrs. Audrey Eiland, Mrs. Alvin Howell, Mrs. Willie Mae Hewitt
North Florida: Mrs. Walter F. Rice, Martha Touchton
Liberty: Mrs. Tina Cook, Mrs. Bertie Baxter, Mrs. Oma Owen, Mrs.
Leslie Miller

CHURCH DELEGATES

Richard Mitchell, New Hope, Plant City
Allen Culpetter, New Hope, Plant City
Mrs. Dora Booth, Marvin Chapel, Marianna
Mrs. A. J. Pitts, Chipley Church, Chipley
Essie Milton, Liberty Church, Bonifay
John Cook, Abagail, Vernon
Ardelia Parker, First Church, Lakeland
Leonard Black, First Church, Tampa
Annie Bowlin, First Church, Bonifay
Vander Shiver, Blountstown Church, Blountstown
Mrs. Jack Windson, Cottondale Church, Cottondale
J. W. D. Stephens, Hickory Grove, Bascom
Mrs. Essie Milton, Liberty Church, Bonifay
Charles Morris, Cypress Creek, Marianna
Mrs. Shammie Cook, Midway, Cypress
Gradie Burdette, Christian Home, Blountstown
Mrs. Morgan Peacock, Christian Home, Blountstown
Bonnie McClain, Holley Grove, Marianna
Mrs. W. E. Holley, First Church, Pensacola
Mrs. Bertie Lee Hartley, First Church, Panama City
Mrs. Thelma Grondin, First Church, Malone
Mrs. Troy Sapp, Marvin Chapel, Marianna
James Pitts, Damascus, Free Port

DISTRICT MODERATORS AND CLERKS

<i>District</i>	<i>Moderator</i>	<i>Clerk</i>
Liberty	Rev. Bill George Bonifay, Fla.	Rev. Wayne Hicks 2607 W. 12 St. Panama City
Salem	Rev. Roy Bozeman Route 3, Box 491 Tallahassee	C. L. Cook Altha
Northeast Florida	Rev. D. E. Bias 3480 Commonwealth Ave. Jacksonville	W. L. Collins 218 Shortread St. Jacksonville
South Florida	Rev. Albert McFarland 2815 N. W. 91st St. Miami	Charles E. Lyday 12220 N. W. 21 St. Miami
Central Florida	Rev. Robert Owen 610 Poinsetta Road Auburndale	Robert Wilfong 1293-80th Ave., N St. Petersburg
West Florida	Rev. Harvey Henderson Route 1 Atmore, Ala.	Bernice Purvis Route 1, Box 120 McDavid
North Florida	Rev. E. J. Norman Route 1 Perry	Robert D. Walker Route 1, Box 137 Perry

PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 29

The fifteenth annual session of the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists was opened with the delegation and visitors singing, "Sweet Hour of Prayer," directed by Brother Ernest Owen. Rev. Wayne Hicks, camp superintendent, acted as host to the association.

Rev. L. V. Pinson of Pensacola, led the evening devotions using James 1:17-27 as his text. The theme for the meditation was "Pure Religion."

Rev. Wayne Hicks introduced the officers of the association.

The moderator, Rev. Daniel F. Pelt, called the association into official session and named the committee on committees: Rev. Robert Owen, Rev. W. E. George and Rev. Fred L. Bradshaw.

Special music was rendered by Rev. and Mrs. Kennedy of Oklahoma.

Rev. Chester H. Pelt introduced the speaker for the evening, Rev. Homer Willis, director of National Home Missions. The subject of his message was "Growth Through Church Extension." He used as texts, 2 Kings 4:3; Joel 2:7.

After proper sleeping facilities had been provided for all who wished to spend the night, the benediction prayer was given and the meeting adjourned until 10:00 o'clock Friday morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 30

The session opened with the singing of several hymns led by Brother J. R. Long of Bascom. Rev. Rufus Hyman introduced Rev. Irvin Hyman of Jacksonville, who brought the morning devotional thoughts. His subject was "The Unspeakable Gift," and he used for a text, 2 Corinthians 9:15.

A partial report of the credentials committee was given by the chairman. *MSC to receive the report and seat the delegates. (See committee reports.)

Visiting ministers were recognized and welcomed. (See visiting ministers.)

MSC to adopt the report of committee on committees. MSC to receive the report of the planning board. MSC to adopt the report by sections.

A special message in song, "I Know Whom I Have Believed," was rendered by Mrs. C. H. Pelt. The Rev. Wayne Hicks introduced the speaker for the morning worship service, Dr. Linton C. Johnson. "Growth Through Christian Education" was the topic used by Dr. Johnson, and he chose for a text 2 Timothy 2:15. The service was concluded by a prayer of thanksgiving and benediction.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

After a song, "Wonderful Grace of Jesus," led by Rev. Albert McFarland,

*Motion Made, Seconded and Carried

the devotional thoughts were given by Rev. Robert Owen of Auburndale. He used as a theme, "The Open Door," and his text was from Revelation 8:3.

MSC that a committee be appointed to investigate the petition from Broward District of South Florida. The following were named: Marvin Owen, Q. Hansley, Fred L. Bradshaw.

MSC to adopt the report of the treasurer.

A brief oral report of Free Will Baptist Bible College was given by Dr. L. C. Johnson, president.

Rev. Burkette Raper, president of Mount Olive Junior College, gave a report of our Junior College in North Carolina. MSC that the "blue sheet" of his report appear in the minutes of this session of Florida State Association.

Rev. Irvin Hyman was elected vice-moderator to fill the unexpired term of Rev. W. B. Hughes.

MSC to adopt the report of the Sunday school board.

Rev. J. O. Fort, editor, gave a report of the Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, N. C.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer until 6:30 p. m.

FRIDAY EVENING

The session was opened by congregational singing led by Rev. Chester H. Pelt, who also introduced and presented the young ladies from the Chipley Church who sang a beautiful quartet.

The Rev. Homer Willis was asked to introduce the speaker for the evening, Rev. Kenneth Walker, home missionary to Washington, D. C. The topic used was "Growth Through Evangelism," and the text was Hebrews 13:7, 17.

MSC to adopt the report of the league board.

MSC to adopt the report of the mission board.

MSC to present the Sandra Dawson case; pledges were received.

The session was adjourned after a prayer of benediction.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 31

The session opened with congregational singing led by Rev. Harvey Henderson.

Rev. Albert McFarland gave the devotional thoughts taking as a text, Philippians 3:13.

MSC to adopt the report of the welcoming committee.

MSC to adopt the report of the resolutions committee.

MSC to adopt the report of the board of education.

MSC to adopt the report of the camp superintendent.

MSC to adopt the report of the board of trustees of the youth camp.

MSC to adopt the report of the committee of appreciation.

MSC to accept the song books offered by Rev. C. B. Craddock for the youth camp.

MSC to adopt the final report of the credentials committee.

MSC to adopt the report of committee on investigation of petition of Broward District.

MSC to pay expenses of arbitration committee to Miami. The money to be paid from general fund.

MSC to adopt the report of the finance committee.

Report of W. S. A. C. was received.

MSC to adopt report blank suggested by the committee.

MSC to receive the report of the nominating committee, each officer and board to be elected individually.

MSC that the new ruling about the board of education be stricken from the record.

The following were named as delegates to the National Association meets in California, July, 1960: Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Cloud, Mrs. Harold Harrison, Mrs. Fred Bradshaw, Mrs. Wayne Hicks.

The association was adjourned after a prayer of benediction.

Reports of Boards and Committees

CREDENTIALS REPORT

	Number	Delegates	Fees
District Associations	7	10	\$119.12
Local Churches	18	24	97.00
Ministers	27	27	54.00
Deacons	22	22	44.00
Totals		83	\$314.12
Visitors	11		
Visiting Ministers	10		
Corresponding Delegates	1		

Respectfully Submitted,
Credentials Committee

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

We, your committee on committees, wish to make the following report:

Nominating Committee: Wayne Hicks, G. W. Cloud, J. R. Long.

Finance Committee: W. W. Eiland, Leon Owens, Miss D. Parker.

Resolutions Committee: Harold Harrison, Alvin Howell, John Watson.

Appreciation Committee: Chester Pelt, J. D. Benefield, Albert McFarland.

Welcome Committee: Clyde Owen, W. L. Collins, M. M. Owens.

Ministers' and Deacons' Summer Camp: Chester Pelt, Harold Harrison, Clyde Owen.

Credentials Committee: Q. Hansley, W. L. Collins, Mrs. Irvin Hyman.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Committees

The members of the planning board submit the following recommendations:

1. We recommend to the State Association that it meet with the various district associations on a revolving basis—the nominating committee to work this out.

2. We recommend the same percentages for the state budget as listed in the 1958 minutes:

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%

3. We leave these recommendations open that this body might make further recommendations.

4. We recommend that this body invite the Florida State Association for the year of 1960; Unity Free Will Baptist Church as host as per MSC.

Respectfully submitted,

Northeast Association

Planning Board

REPORT OF MOUNT OLIVE COLLEGE
TO THE
FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
OCTOBER 30, 31, 1959

APPRECIATION

We are grateful for our many friends who have stood firmly behind Mount Olive College during the few short years this college has been in operation. The progress we have enjoyed would have been impossible without your earnest prayers, generous support and tireless labor in our behalf.

God has blessed Mount Olive College as He has no other institution among Free Will Baptists in this generation. Today the total assets of this college amount to \$210,000. We now enjoy full academic accreditation by the accrediting agencies of this state and are pressing rapidly toward regional accreditation. Free Will Baptists everywhere can point to Mount Olive College as a monumental achievement in Christian higher education.

To everyone who has contributed to this progress, we are profoundly grateful.

ENROLLMENT

Our present enrollment is 151 as compared with 22 students when we began operation as a junior college in 1954. Included in our student body are two students from Florida:

Velma Foye Lawrence, Saint John's Church, Bonifay

Herman A. Grubbs Sr., Mount Carmel Church, Perry

In addition to North Carolina and Florida, students from Tennessee and South Carolina are enrolled in Mount Olive College.

GUIDEPOSTS

Our aim at Mount Olive Junior College is to build a college that will be known by the following characteristics:

1. A Christian college;
2. A college that will best serve the educational needs of the Free Will Baptist denomination and one that will preserve and perpetuate our historic heritage;
3. An accredited college whose academic standards are honored and respected;
4. A college with a sound program of student aid for worthy students who need financial assistance;
5. A college that fosters a wholesome and helpful relationship between students and faculty;
6. A college that will contribute to the educational, cultural and spiritual life of the community of which it is a part;
7. A college whose graduates are thinking persons, trained in the discipline of the liberal arts, and committed to Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour, and who desire to use their lives in service to God and all mankind.

FINANCE

Last year Mount Olive College received \$68,364.60 in gifts as follows (Free Will Baptists): North Carolina, \$48,177.76; South Carolina, \$1,065.67; Virginia, \$585.00; Florida, \$540.50; Georgia, \$142.23; Michigan, \$5. Gifts from friends in the local community amounted to \$17,847.99.

Our budget for the 1959-1960 academic year calls for an expenditure of \$190,950, and of this amount \$90,000 must come through gifts. Through our Loyalty Fund Campaign we are now seeking to raise this budget. We earnestly solicit your fervent prayers and generous support in order that we may continue to provide Christian higher education for those committed to our care.

Today our youth need us, but tomorrow we shall need them.

W. Burkette Raper, *President*

TREASURER'S REPORT 1958-1959

GENERAL FUND:

Balance October 27, 1958	\$ 90.10
Associational Dues	225.00
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	\$ 315.10

DISBURSEMENTS:

Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer	\$ 75.00
Free Will Baptist Press, Minutes	170.00
National Association Dues	45.00
Delegate Badges	8.00
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	298.00
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Balance October 27, 1959	\$ 17.10

CO-OPERATIVE FUND:

Balance October 27, 1958:	
Treasury Expense	\$ 90.29
Youth Camp Operating Fund	921.70
Evangelism	357.96
Superannuation	203.74
Church Extension	221.78
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	1,795.47

RECEIPTS:

Associations:	
Central Florida	\$ 75.00
North Florida	183.25
Northeast Florida	40.00
West Florida Liberty	1,773.80
Salem	1,277.71
Churches:	
First Church, Pensacola	237.81
Bethel Church	334.28
Christian Home	15.00
Lovewood Church	5.00
Evergreen Church, Ariton, Ala.	7.50
Miscellaneous:	
Port St. Joe Mission	11.01
Woman's State Auxiliary	10.00
Sale of Picture Cards	10.65
Wayne Hicks, Refund to Operating Account	26.45
C. L. Cook, Superannuation	309.52
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	4,316.98

Total Receipts and Old Balance

\$6,112.45

DISBURSEMENTS:

Transfer, Youth Camp Operating to Building Fund	\$ 900.00
Treasury Expense	277.79
Operating Expense Youth Camp	523.49
National Co-Operative Program	1,777.35
National Superannuation	74.07
Rev. I. O. Cook	220.00
Children's Home	296.27

4,068.97

Balance October 27, 1959

\$2,043.48

Treasury Expense	\$ 10.32
Youth Camp Operating	542.91
Evangelism	752.99
Superannuation	515.48
Church Extension	221.78

\$2,043.48

YOUTH CAMP BUILDING FUND:

Balance October 27, 1958:

General Building Fund	\$ 9.02
Lunch Counter	3.94
Tile for Kitchen	18.00

\$ 30.96

RECEIPTS:

Salem Association	\$ 65.00
Auburndale Church	45.71
Northeast Florida	5.00
Mt. Carmel Sunday School	129.33
W. B. Pender	100.00
Alvin Howell	15.00
Sale of Scrap Lumber	20.00
Unity Church, Jacksonville	5.00
W. S. A. Serving Counter	58.40
W. S. A. Tile for Kitchen	9.00
First Church Miami League	55.00

Total Receipts \$ 507.44

Transfer of Funds from Operating Fund 900.00

1,407.44

Total Receipts, Transfer and Old Balance		<u>\$1,438.40</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Marvin Owens Note and Interest	\$1,029.22	
Repair, Material and Labor	<u>337.34</u>	
		1,366.56
Balance October 27, 1959		<u>\$ 71.84</u>
Serving Counter	\$ 62.94	
Tile for Kitchen	27.00	
General Building Fund	<u>(24.10)</u>	
	\$ 71.84	

DESIGNATED FUNDS RECEIVED AND DISBURSED AS DESIGNATED:

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS

Districts	Churches	Membership	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Ordained Deacons	Sunday Schools	Sunday School Enrollment	F.W.B. Leagues	F.W.B. League Enrollment	Woman's Auxiliaries	Membership	Youth Auxiliaries	Membership	Master's Men	Membership	Prayer Meetings	General Offerings	Spent for Local Causes	Gifts to Orphanages	Co-Operative Program	Other than Co-Operative Program	Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Value of Church Property
West Florida	8	520	14	1	---	8	456	4	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	8	\$ 19,389.50	\$ 11,532.85	\$394.18	\$ 545.00	\$2,540.31	---	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 62,500.00
Liberty	11	770	9	---	---	10	722	8	375	6	89	7	80	3	44	9	25,955.05	26,906.38	206.80	1,748.71	2,867.65	2	20,000.00	119,310.00
Salem	19	1,267	15	---	---	15	736	5	200	4	55	2	16	---	---	---	11,508.70	18,260.55	288.86	1,211.21	---	---	---	173,929.00
North Florida	14	581	16	1	24	11	480	3	89	3	37	---	---	1	15	11	18,296.69	16,920.01	---	226.44	501.26	---	---	58,000.00
Northeast Florida	5	360	9	---	17	5	290	5	121	4	47	2	33	1	21	5	20,147.52	16,956.26	83.86	10.00	655.76	2	10,000.00	80,000.00
South Florida	2	126	4	---	4	2	200	2	60	1	18	2	28	1	14	2	10,927.10	7,236.12	---	---	244.75	1	17,500.00	105,000.00
Central Florida ...	7	456	10	2	---	7	486	3	112	5	45	5	56	2	13	7	23,301.22	12,973.92	---	---	---	1	13,000.00	103,200.00
TOTAL	63	4,087	77	4	45	42	3,370	30	957	23	291	18	213	8	107	42	\$127,525.78	\$110,786.09	\$973.20	\$3,741.36	\$6,809.73	6	\$65,500.00	\$701,739.00

Value of Denominational Property:

Old Camp Site\$15,000.00

New Camp Site 50,000.00

Total\$65,000.00

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

We, your Sunday school board, recommend:

1. That each teacher in our Sunday schools be a born-again Christian.
2. That a course be taught in personal soul-winning for Sunday school teachers in each association or if possible in each church. We feel that every teacher should be able to explain the plan of salvation in simple terms.
3. That an emphasis be put on further teacher training this year and that we begin to plan toward standard requirements for training our Sunday school workers. For some ideas on teacher training, write Bob Wilfong, 1293-80th Ave., North, St. Petersburg.

Respectfully submitted,
Central Florida Association
Sunday School Board

REPORT OF LEAGUE BOARD

We, your league board, wish to make the following report:

The State League Convention convened at the youth camp this year with a great measure of success. We encourage leaguers to make plans now to attend the next session.

Suggestions:

1. That every leader in the church do more to encourage our league work.
2. We ask each church without a league to consider again this organization. Your young people need your help through the league.

Respectfully submitted,
West Florida Association
League Board

REPORT OF MISSION BOARD

We, your mission board, wish to make the following report:

In accordance with the recommendation of the mission board as reported in the 1958 session, visits were made in February to all district associations in the state to promote the cause of missions, with special emphasis on the Miami Mission. Cash offerings received for the Miami Mission in these visits amounted to \$73.46, and pledges amounted to \$48.50 per month, or \$582.00. Also gifts in the amount of \$55.00 were received for the Youth camp.

We, in the Liberty Association, have for several years had a mission conference and woman's auxiliary study course each year sponsored jointly by the district mission board and the district woman's auxiliary. This has been of inestimable value to every phase of our district work. Therefore,

we would like to recommend that each association in the state promote a missions conference within their association annually.

Respectfully submitted,
Liberty Association
Mission Board

REPORT OF WELCOMING COMMITTEE

We, your welcoming committee, recognize and extend greetings to the following ministers and pastors coming into our state as God's servants:

Rev. Harold Harrison and family, Chipley Church, Chipley, Fla.

Rev. Irvin Hyman and family, Unity Church, Jacksonville, Fla.

Rev. Freeman Edwards and family, Piney Grove Church, Chipley, Fla.

May God bless in your efforts.

Marvin Owen
Clyde Owen
W. L. Collins

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

1. Be it resolved that each church representative to the State Association convey to the local church the emphasis of personal and church-wide evangelism and church extension in the state by promoting the cause of missions through united efforts in the realms of labor, prayer and financial support.

2. Be it resolved that each pastor encourage the local church to set aside at least one Sunday's offering per year and designate such as Free Will Baptist Bible College day.

3. Be it resolved that each church place in its budget a gift of money to be sent to the youth camp for maintenance purposes.

4. Be it resolved that the executive committee of the State Association be given 5c per mile travel allowance to and from meetings.

Respectfully submitted,
Harold Harrison,
Alvin Howell,
John Watson

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

I. a. We had two weeks of youth camp at which 101 of our youth participated.

b. We had a ministers' and deacons' camp accommodating 8 ministers and 7 deacons.

c. The woman's auxiliary camp had in attendance an average of 19 daily, with 10 staying in the dormitory.

d. Besides housing the State Association in this session, the youth camp has been the site of the State League Convention and the Florida Camp Meeting.

Your board of education has made several observations of areas in which improvement can be made: for instance, to date no administrative policies have been established for the camp personnel. And there has been too little utilization of available competent personnel. The latter situation has been due largely to past demands for instructional personnel to remain on the campus. It is hoped that our recommendations will correct some of these problems. Therefore, we recommend:

II. POLICIES FOR YOUTH CAMP ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL

1. Camp manager, not required to remain on campus but must make at least one trip per day to the campus—\$35.00 per week plus 5c per mile.

Duties: a. Receive funds; b. purchasing of food and supplies; c. pay salaries and bills; d. manage insurance; e. send out and receive applications; f. other necessary managerial duties.

2. Dean of instruction (on campus at all times), \$35.00 per week plus room and board.

Duties: a. Supervise instructional program; b. outline duties of camp mother and father; c. draw up dormitory rules and regulations; d. conduct evening program; e. responsible for doctor or hospital needs; f. other supervisory duties.

3. Camp mother and father (\$25.00 per week plus room and board).

Duties: a. Co-ordinate all activities with the dean; b. first aid, and must be on campus at all times; c. supervise cleaning of dormitory and baths; d. supervise conduct of children on grounds and in dormitory; e. otherwise assist dean with children activities.

4. Recreational instructor (not required to stay on campus), \$20.00 per week plus 5c per mile, or room and board.

Duties: a. Supervise and direct recreational activities on grounds for all ages; b. must be on campus during the day for activities and lunch.

5. Bible and Bible doctrine instructor (not required to stay on campus), \$20.00 per week plus 5c per mile, or room and board.

Duties: a. Will teach all courses in Bible; b. must be on campus during class hours and during lunch.

6. Auxiliary instructor (not required to stay on campus), \$20.00 per week plus 5c per mile, or room and board.

Duties: a. Will teach all courses in auxiliary (league, Sunday school, and youth auxiliaries); b. must be on campus during class hours and lunch.

7. Music instructor (not required to stay on campus), \$20.00 per week and 5c per mile, or room and board.

Duties: Will teach all courses in music on three age levels. Will be on campus during class hours and lunch.

8. Kitchen supervisor (must remain on campus at all times) \$35.00 per week.

Duties: Supervise all cooking and serving of food.

9. Assistant kitchen supervisor (must be on campus at all times), \$35.00 per week.

Duties: Will assist supervisor.

10. Camp maid (on campus only in afternoon), \$10.00 per week.

Duties: Clean and mop baths and mop kitchen once each day.

11. All duties not listed will be co-ordinated by camp manager and dean.

III. Since Brother Ray Turnage, field secretary of the National League Board, has expressed a desire to assist in the Florida Youth Camp sessions and since he has had extensive experience in youth camps, we recommend that the camp manager elect, appoint Brother Turnage to the position of dean of instruction for the next session.

IV. It is further recommended that a suitable filing cabinet be purchased for keeping a permanent record of the camp sessions for future historical purposes—the filing of such records to be the responsibility of the camp manager assisted by the dean of instruction.

V. We recommend that fees for children be raised from \$7.00 per week to \$9.50 (50c for insurance).

VI. We recommend that the board of trustees be authorized to look into the purchase of seats at Clarksville that are for sale, and purchase them if the price is reasonable.

Respectfully submitted,
Salem Association
Board of Education

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF CAMP SUPERINTENDENT

Ministers' and Deacons' Camp

Income

From Campers	\$ 94.50
Offerings	13.99
State Treasury	20.00
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	\$ 128.49

Expense

Instructors	\$ 60.00
Kitchen Help	70.00
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	\$ 130.00

Youth Encampments

Income

From Campers	\$701.00
State Treasurer	180.00
Miscellaneous	175.90
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	\$1,056.90

Paid Out	
Teachers	\$339.00
Literature	26.24
Films	81.68
Telephone	3.40
Insurance	48.81
Postage	3.55
Games	22.00
Refund	5.00
Gasoline	13.36
Kitchen Personnel	210.00
Kitchen Supplies	85.80
Fire Extinguishers	81.86
Drinks and Candy	109.69
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	\$1,030.45
Returned to State Treasurer	<hr/>
	\$ 26.45
Camp Meeting	
Income	
Offerings and Personal Gifts	\$217.50
Miscellaneous	10.00
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	\$ 227.50
Expenditures	
Evangelist	\$100.00
Kitchen Personnel	70.00
Music Director and Pianist	50.00
Advertising	14.00
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	\$ 234.00

Respectfully submitted,
Camp Superintendent,
Wayne Hicks

REPORT OF THE FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

We, your board of trustees, submit the following report concerning the disposition of the old camp site property located south of Cottondale on U. S. highway 231 to the use of the National Superannuation Board for the purpose of providing a rest home for our retired ministers, missionaries, and other full-time Christian workers:

1. We recommend that the National Superannuation Board inform the delegates of the National Association in session that the State Association of Florida is not making its proposal to the National Superannuation Board in order to get rid of worthless property, but that, on the contrary,

the above said property has real value; that the State Association of Florida has refused favorable bids on the sale of the said property, and that said bids have been refused largely because it is the desire of the members of the state association of Florida for the property to continue to be used for purposes in the Lord's cause in the world.

2. Since the National Superannuation Board members have all appraised the property in person and have stated to the Board of Trustees of the State Association of Florida in writing that they intend to recommend unanimously that the National Association accept any reasonable proposal of the State Association of Florida, therefore, we recommend to this association now in session that the above property be given to the National Association to be used by its superannuation board as stated above, on the following tentative conditions:

- a. That a stipulated sum be named in the deed to make it legal.
- b. That a specified date be set for the transaction at the convenience of both boards, following the acceptance of the superannuation board's report to the National Association.
- c. That a specified limit of postponement of the transaction be agreed upon by both boards.
- d. That a specified reasonable time be agreed upon by both boards to start the development of the property for its intended use.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Trustees

REPORT OF APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We, your committee on appreciation, submit the following report:

With gratefulness to God for supplying all our needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus, we extend appreciation:

1. For the presence of everyone; 2. to the First Free Will Baptist Church of Panama City and Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church of Blountstown, for the use of their hymnals; 3. to the Salem and Liberty Associations for the preparation and serving of food for the association through their woman's auxiliaries and several local churches; 4. to those who have provided linens and other comforts for the delegates; 5. to Hickory Grove Church for serving as custodian of the youth camp for this associational year; 6. to those who have pastored in our state and who have during this year been led to fields of service outside our state, 7. to Mount Olive Junior College for furnishing and printing our programs; 8. to the ladies of Hickory Grove church who contributed and arranged the beautiful flowers in the auditorium and on each of the dining tables.

Respectfully submitted,
Appreciation Committee

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION

We, your committee on investigation, recommend to this association that these delegates from the Margate and Davie Churches be seated at this

session as delegates. We further recommend that a board of arbitration be appointed and sent at the earliest convenience possible, to investigate and assist these churches in their present difficulties and that the Florida State Association fully endorse this board of arbitration giving such endorsement in writing. We further recommend that this board report to the executive committee of the State Association immediately upon completion of their mission.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred L. Bradshaw

Q. Hansley

M. M. Owens

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Associational Dues	\$291.12
Special Offering for Home Missions	50.21
Sandra Dawson Fund	10.00
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Total	\$351.33

Respectfully submitted,

Finance Committee

Woman's State Auxiliary Convention

October 24, 1959

1. MEMBERSHIP REPORT

No. Registered at this Convention	49
No. of Members October 24, 1959	271
No. of New Members Gained in 1958-59	45
Youth Auxiliaries Sponsored: YPA	9
G. T. A.	11
B. A.	2
Tiny Tots	1
Number of Souls Won	11
Number of Study Classes Conducted	23

This report was made possible by the following:

Salem District
Liberty District
Central Florida District
Northeast Florida District
Pensacola (Local)
Miami (Local)
Mt. Carmel, Perry (Local)

2. FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash in Bank, October 25, 1958	\$ 4.49
Total Receipts (Nov. 1958—Oct. 1959)	600.09
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Total to Account For	\$604.58
Total Disbursements (Nov. 1958—Oct. 1959)	595.89
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Cash in Bank, Oct. 24, 1959	\$8.69

OFFICERS OF WSAC

President—Mrs. Louise Owen, Auburndale, Florida
Vice-President—Mrs. Mildred Pelt, Marianna, Florida
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Oma Owen, Chipley, Florida
Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Ada Holley, Blountstown, Florida
Youth Chairman—Mrs. Joyce Kirkland, Chipley
Study Course Chairman—Mrs. Ruby Pelt, Grandridge, Florida
Stewardship Chairman—Mrs. Irving Hyman, Jacksonville, Florida
Personal Service Chairman—Mrs. Doris Norman, Perry, Florida

The next meeting will be held with Piney Grove Church, Chipley, Florida, the first Saturday in June, 1960.

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT BLANKS
REPORT OF A DISTRICT ASSOCIATION TO THE STATE
ASSOCIATION

To the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists meeting at _____
_____ on _____, 19_____.

Delegates:

Alternates:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Name of District _____

Moderator's Name and Address _____

Clerk's Name and Address _____

Date and Place of Next District Meeting _____

STATISTICS:

Number of Churches _____, Number of Members _____
(resident _____, non-resident _____) Number of Ordained
Ministers _____, Number of Licensed Ministers _____ Number
of Ordained Deacons _____ Active _____, Inactive _____

AUXILIARIES:

Number of Sunday Schools _____, Number of Members _____
Number of Leagues _____, Number of Members _____
Number of Young People's Auxiliaries _____, Number of Members _____
Number of Go-Tell Auxiliaries _____, Number of Members _____
Number of Boy's Auxiliaries _____, Number of Members _____
Number of Woman's Auxiliaries _____, Number of Member _____
Number of Master's Men Auxiliaries _____, Number of Members _____
Number of Prayer Meetings _____, Average Attendance _____

FINANCE:

Total Giving in Church _____

General Offerings _____, Building Fund _____

Spent for Local Causes:

Pastors' Salaries _____, Evangelists _____, Literature _____

Building and Repair _____, Miscellaneous _____ Total _____

Spent for Outside Causes:

Co-Operative Fund _____

Other than Co-Operative Fund:

Foreign Missions _____, Home Missions _____, Education _____

Orphanage _____, Superannuation _____, District, State and Na-
tional Projects _____, Miscellaneous _____, Total _____

Value of Church Property _____

Value of Parsonages _____, Number of Parsonages _____

Amount Enclosed for Associational Fee _____

Amount Enclosed for Other (Specify) _____

Remarks _____

_____, Moderator

_____, Clerk

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Moderator, Irvin Hyman

Vice-Moderator, A. L. McFarland

Clerk, Robert Owen

Treasurer, Leon Owen

Board of Trustees:

W. L. Collins (1961)

Walter F. Rice (1961)

Ernest Owen (1963)

Harvey Henderson (1963)

Planning Board, Liberty Association

Superannuation Board, Salem Association

Sunday School Board, South Florida Association

League Board, Central Association

Missions Board, West Florida Association

Education Board, Northeast Florida Association

Respectfully submitted,

Nominating Committee

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

of the

FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST STATE MINISTERS AND DEACONS CONFERENCE

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, and 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 local association composed of fifteen churches, or a fraction thereof, and one additional delegate for each additional four churches or 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 represented 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 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 officer, or nominee, 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 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 the first 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 the 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, rights and privileges of the moderator in his absence.

Section 4. The vice-moderator shall be ex-officio members 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 and 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. It shall be the duty of the board of trustees 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.

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 age 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 treasurer 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 or 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 or 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.

	Home Mission	Meletino Mission	Foreign Mission	Bible College	Mt. Olive College	Children's Home	Per Capita Dues	Japan Homes	Co-Laborer Fund	GTA Station Wagon Fund	Student Loan Fund	Grand Total
1st Church Miami	\$	\$ 62.14	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 62.14
Special Offering												
State Association		63.23										63.23
Central Florida Association			25.00									25.00
Salem Association			40.50	45.00	25.00							110.50
West Florida Liberty Association	138.82	77.32	94.87	20.00								331.01
Liberty Mission Board	12.53	639.48	810.44									1,462.45
First Church Pensacola						50.00						50.00
Eau Gallie Mission	6.05		6.05									12.10
Auburndale Church		50.03	40.65									90.68
Salem Church	10.00		10.00									20.00
Lovewood Church	42.30											42.30
Mt. Carmel Church		25.00										25.00
Shilo Church	77.00		75.30									152.30
Port St. Joe Mission			5.50									5.50
St. Johns Church					20.00							20.00
Unity Church		36.05										36.05
Florida State League Board				50.00								50.00
Youth Camp					50.00							50.00
Woman's State Auxiliary	38.70	17.25	143.10	62.48	31.97	8.50	56.90	166.15	22.55	5.00	7.50	560.10
Grand Totals	\$235.40	\$970.50	\$1,251.41	\$177.48	\$126.97	\$58.50	\$56.90	\$166.15	\$22.55	\$5.00	\$7.50	\$3,168.36

October 27, 1958, Balance.....\$ 1,916.53

Total Receipts.....8,217.78

Total Receipts and Old Balance.....\$10,134.31

Total Disbursements.....8,001.89

October 27, 1959, Balance.....\$ 2,132.42

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. Eiland, Treasurer