

FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

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FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP

BASCOM, FLORIDA

NEXT SESSION

FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP GROUNDS

BASCOM, FLORIDA

OCTOBER 28-30, 1964

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South	Rev. Dale Burden 2815 N.W. 91 Street Miami, Fla.	Mrs. Mary J. Benzing 650 N.E. 162 Street No. Miami Beach, Fla.
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MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED

Wayne Hicks, Quincy, Fla.	Luther Burns, Chipley, Fla.
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Woodrow Messex, Panama City, Fla.	John Rich, Chipley, Fla.
I. O. Cook, Cypress, Fla.	Ed Cook, Miami, Fla.
Donald Hanna, Altha, Fla.	Clyde Owen, Tallahassee, Fla.

DEACONS WHO REGISTERED

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ASSOCIATION DELEGATES

CENTRAL FLORIDA: Olie Jones.

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CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

First Free Will Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla. (letter)

First Free Will Baptist Church, Auburndale, Fla. — C. L. Woodruff, W. P. Granger.

First Free Will Baptist Church, Chipley, Fla. — Etha Mae Owen, Joyce Kirkland.

Sneads Free Will Baptist Church, Sneads, Fla.

Liberty Free Will Baptist Church, Vernon, Fla. — Mony Mills.

Travelers Rest Church, Altha, Fla. — J. W. Hitchcock.

Marvin Chapel, Marianna, Fla. — Mrs. Viola Sellers.

VISITORS

Rev. and Mrs. L. D. Scott, Brinson, Ga.; Rev. and Mrs. Rufus Hyman, Slocomb, Ala.; Mrs. Ola Giles, Sneads, Fla.; Bishop Bolin, Slocomb, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jormer, Slocomb, Ala.; Aron Hitchcock, Altha, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kirksey, Gordon, Ala.; M. M. Owens, Vernon, Fla.; J. W. D. Stephens, Bascom, Fla.; Jernie Burch, Bonifay, Fla.; Lucile Cook, Bonifay, Fla.; Eunice Yates, Bonifay, Fla.

PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday Evening, October 30

The Service began with Brother Chester Cook leading the congregation in several songs. Rev. Freeman Edwards led in the opening prayer. Then the officers of the Association were introduced, and the Moderator presented his message to the body. His scripture was Isa. 6:1-13.

The message for the evening was brought by Rev. William Travis of Alabama. Brother Tavis' Scripture was Judges 17:7-13.

After the service the Moderator appointed two committees. Committee on Committees: Cauley Owens, G. W. Cloud, Ed Cook, Mrs. Sexton. Credentials Committee: C. L. Woodruff, Chester Cook, James Pitts.

This evening session was dismissed with prayer.

Thursday Morning, October 31

The Singing was led by Chester Cook, and Rev. Harvy Hill brought the devotion from Rom. 13:11-14.

The Moderator recognized the standing delegates. (ministers and deacons) Brother Cook led the congregation in a song while we waited for the report from the Credentials Committee.

The Moderator called for a motion to adopt the program with the liberty to make any necessary changes. Motion was carried.

The Moderator recognized the new ministers coming into the state to pastor. Harvy Hill, Auburndale; Ed Cook, Miami; Donald Hanna, Young minister; Luther Burns, Chipley.

The visiting ministers were recognized: Rufus Hyman, Alabama; John Edwards, Alabama; L. D. Scott, Georgia.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was accepted. Brother Woodruff made the motion.

The Report of Committee on Committees was received after the name Franky Chatwood was substituted for James Cloud.

The Sunday School Board did not report.

Rev. D. W. Poole made a motion to adopt the League Board report from the Salem Association. Motion carried.

Rev. Harrold Harrison presented the literature program and pointed out some of the many improvements from the National Sunday School Board.

The Moderator then called for the Treasurer's report. Brother Amer-son made a motion to adopt report. Carried.

A motion was made by Rev. Freeman Edwards to recess for 10 minutes was carried..

After the recess the congregation was led in some singing and Rev. Walter Eldridge preached the morning message. His Scripture was Luke 22:31-62.

The Woman's Auxiliary and churches of the Salem Association served lunch.

Thursday Afternoon, October 31

Brother Cook led the singing and Rev. Dan Gaskins led in the Devotion. The Scripture was Acts 1:8.

The Moderator called for the Planning Board report. Rev. Burden made the motion which was carried to adopt the report.

Rev. Edwards moved to adopt the Missions Board report. Carried.

Rev. Henderson moved to adopt the Board of Education report. Carried.

Rev. Messex moved to adopt the report of the Youth Camp Board of Trustees. Carried.

Rev. Bill George gave a report from the Childrens Home, and made a motion to receive it and print in our minutes.

Rev. Henderson made a motion to adopt the Welcome Committee report. Carried.

Mrs. R. Q. Adison moved to adopt the Appreciation Committee report. Carried.

The Revisions Committee report was given, and a motion was made and carried to the table.

Delegates to the National Association were appointed: Mr. G. W. Cloud, Mr. W. J. Amerson, Mrs. Esther, Mrs. Messex, Mrs. Ed. Cook.

The State Woman's Auxiliary made a report to the body.

Rev. Burden made a motion that the Committee to see about getting the National Association be given the cost of a Booth plus \$25 for promotion at the National Association in 1964. Motion carried

The session was dismissed for the day.

The Evening meal was served by the Woman's Auxiliary and Churches of the West Florida Liberty Association.

Thursday Evening, October 31

The song service was again led by Brother Cook, and prayer was offered by Rev. George. The evening devotional was presented by Rev. Donald Hanna, who read John 16:21-24.

Joseph Cagno of Jacksonville who was reared in the Roman Catholic Church gave his testimony as to how he was converted.

Rev. Elro Driggers brought the evening message. He read Acts 2:42-47. After the message the Holy Spirit manifested Himself in the wonderful testimonial and praise service. An offering was received.

The only items of business for the evening service were two: The Revisions Committee made a report, Brother Messex moved to receive Section 6 of Article 3, and Rev. Burden moved to table. Motion to table carried. The Board of Trustees of the Bible Institute gave a report. The motion made of Rev. Henderson to adopt was carried.

Rev. Henry Melvin led in the benediction prayer.

Friday Morning, November 1

Brother Woodruff led the congregation in the opening hymn, "Standing On the Promises." Mrs. Eva Mae Owen led the morning prayer. Then the congregation sang, "I Love To Tell the Story."

Rev. Dale Burden brought the devotion from Luke 16:10-13.

The Moderator welcomed those who were just getting here for the session.

The Superannuation Board's report was adopted.

The Placement Committee's Report was adopted.

The Resolutions Committee was heard. Rev. I. O. Cook moved to receive report and adopt item by item, and both items were adopted.

Rev. John M. Rich made a motion that we buy 100 song books from the National Association for the Youth Camp Fund. Brother Ernest Owen made a motion that if the books were purchased that they be bought with offerings from local churches. Carried as amended. Brother G. W. Cloud agreed and pledged \$50.00, which he gave along with other donations. I. O. Cook \$5, Frank Willis \$5, J. W. Lamb \$5, Mrs. Sexton \$1, Mrs. Clark \$1, Mrs. Cook 25c, James Calladay \$1.50, Hipps Road Mission \$5, Mrs. Miller \$1, E. T. Taylor \$1, Woodrow Messex \$1, J. W. D. Stephens \$1, G. W. Hatcher \$1, Henry Melvin \$5. This list is not complete, but these are the only names the Clerk got. (see Finance Comm. report for total).

Rev. Messex made a motion to take from the table the Revisions Committee report. Rev. Burden moved to adopt item by item. Item 1 was adopted. Item 2 which stated that the Moderator, Asst. Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer would receive \$25 each yearly, was amended by a motion from Brother Cook to pay Clerk and Treasurer \$50 each. A motion was then made to kill the motion to adopt this item. The motion to kill was carried. Other items of the report were adopted.

Our Moderator recognized Rev. Billy Melvin, Executive Secretary of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. Brother Melvin pointed out that Cooperative giving in Florida was down. From January 1 through September 31, 1962 Florida gave \$4,903.18. For the same period in 1963 we had only given \$2,612.45.

The Moderator called for the Treasurer's report of the Bible Institute. Brother Ernest Owen's motion to accept the report was carried.

MSC. Credentials Committee final report.

The Moderator asked the Clerk to write to the Clerk of the North Florida Association to let them know that we missed their report and delegates.

A motion was made by Rev. Burden to take from the table and adopt the other portion of the Revisions Committee report. Motion carried. Report adopted.

Rev. Harvy Hill moved to pay clerk and treasurer \$25 each. Carried.

The Moderator called for nominations for a State Reporter for CONTACT. Rev. Elro Driggers was elected. His address is 5163 Pennate Drive, Jacksonville 10, Fla.

The Moderator then recognized the chairman of the Nominating Committee for its report. The motion to receive by Rev. Hill was carried. The Moderator gave time to Rev. Henry Melvin, Chairman of the National League Board. Brother Melvin spoke to us about this work and from Heb. 9:26.

Brother Harrison yielded to the new Moderator, Rev. Driggers, to bring this session to a close.

Rev. Burden made a motion to adjourn and give a rising vote of appreciation to the outgoing officers. Motion was carried.

The new Moderator appointed the Committee to get a promotional man for our work in Florida. Committee: Wayne Hicks, Woodrow Messex, I. O. Cook. (Resolutions Committee report).

Harrold Harrison, Moderator

Wayne Hicks, Clerk

REPORTS

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Bill George, Woodrow Messex, Earnest Owen.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE: Elro Driggers, Mrs. Ocie Jones, I. O. Cook.

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE: C. L. Woodruff, Mrs. R. Q. Addison, Franky Chatwood.

WELCOME COMMITTEE: Harvey Henderson W. H. Horton, W. P. Granger.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Harvy Hill, Donald Hanna, Dale Burden.

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE: Freeman Edwards, Luther Burns, John Rich.

Submitted by:

C. D. Owen, Mrs. L. J. Sexton, G. W. Cloud, Ed Cook, Q. Hansley.

LEAGUE BOARD

We, your State League Board, submit the following report.

In view of the fact, that the general trend is against all Christian training in our public schools. It doubles the responsibility on the church for Christian training. Therefore we urge each church to strongly support a Free Will Baptist League.

Necessary information for the establishment of such may be obtained from our National League Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

We urge all leagues to fully participate in all league activities, both district and state.

Respectfully submitted,

Salem Free Will Baptist Association

FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

TREASURER'S REPORT OCTOBER 1, 1962 — OCTOBER 20, 1963

Project	Balance Oct. 1, 1962	Received	Disbursed	Balance Oct. 20,
National Coop. Fund	\$ 1,229.37		\$ 1,229.37	
Foreign Missions	1,692.35		1,692.35	
Home Missions	1,111.21		1,111.21	
Bible College (Gen.)	853.44		853.44	
Bible College (Alum.)	250.00		250.00	
Paynes	438.99		438.99	
Fulcher	13.00		13.00	
Cronks	133.00		133.00	
Miller	27.12		27.12	
Billows	191.00		191.00	
Willey's Sr.	9.00		9.00	
Malentino	10.35		10.35	
Sis. Rice	59.60		59.60	
Walker	9.63		9.63	
National League Board	37.00		37.00	
Children's Home	427.59		427.59	
Children's Home (Tuberville, S.C.)	16.72		16.72	
Merkhs	219.80		219.80	
Bible Institute	92.19		92.19	
Bobby Poole	158.00		158.00	
Mission Compasion De Cristo	35.89		35.89	
Aldridge	244.88		244.88	
Philps	29.50		29.50	
Whaleys	7.00		7.00	
Miami Mission	1.00		1.00	
Palmers, Jr.	39.17		39.17	
Eudina Jones	10.00		10.00	
Dave Franks	83.22		83.22	
Headquarters Building Fund	50.00		50.00	
Youth Camp	\$ 867.32	299.19	507.72	\$658.79
Superannuation	597.83	217.90	480.00	335.72
General Fund	(-511.49)	570.77	441.60	(382.32)
TOTAL	\$ 953.66	\$ 8,567.88	\$ 8,909.34	\$612.20

AMOUNT RECEIVED AND SOURCE

West Florida Association

Total

Coop.	\$ 457.47	
Mission Compasion De Cristo	55.01	
Foreign Missions	33.96	
Home Missions	33.96	\$ 580.40

Salem Association

Coop.	1,467.44	
Home Missions	80.40	
Foreign Missions	272.38	
Paynes	414.88	
Bible College	75.00	
Children's Home	77.00	
Youth Camp	75.00	
Superannuation	33.50	
Sis. Rice	44.60	
Merkhs	15.00	
Aldridge	129.88	
Palmer Jr.	39.17	\$2,724.25

Liberty Association

Coop.	\$1,036.35	
Home Missions	657.02	
Foreign Missions	972.92	
Bible College General	414.11	
Bible College Alumni	250.00	
Fulcher	13.00	
Cronks	133.00	
Phipps	18.00	
Aldridge	115.00	
Whaley	7.00	
Youth Camp	100.00	
Billows	191.00	
Children's Home	73.09	
Headquarters Building Fund	50.00	
League Board	37.00	
Paynes	24.11	
Bobby Poole	8.00	
Merkh	117.80	
Miami Mission	1.00	
Sis. Rice	15.00	
Bro. Miller	8.00	
Walker	9.63	
Willy's, Sr.	9.00	
Malentino	10.35	\$4,270.38

North Florida Association

Coop.	60.45	\$ 60.45
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South Florida Association

Coop.	\$ 40.00	
Foreign Missions	32.50	
Home Missions	32.50	
Children's Home	47.00	
Children's Home (Tuberville S.C.)	16.72	
Phipps	11.50	\$ 180.22

Central (1st F.W.B. Church of Auburndale

Bobby Poole	\$ 150.00	
Foreign Missions	63.26	
Eudina Jones	10.00	\$ 223.26

North East Florida Association

Coop.	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Camp Meeting		
Dave Franks	\$ 83.22	\$ 83.22

Florida State Women's Auxiliary

Coop.	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.70
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1st F.W.B. Church of Deerfield

Foreign Missions	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
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State Association 1962

Bible College	\$ 57.00	
Merkhs	87.00	
General Fund	248.00	\$ 392.00

Sale of Bunks at Youth Camp

Youth Camp	\$ 32.00	\$ 32.00
TOTAL		\$8,567.88

Paid Out of Youth Camp Fund

Lights	\$ 75.94
Telephone	41.49
Insurance	152.20
Youth Encampment	25.00
Wiring Material Y. C.	153.09
Labor on Wiring	60.00
TOTAL	\$507.72

Paid Out of General Fund

National Assoc. Fee	\$ 60.00
Minutes	162.00
Office Expense and	
Executive Meetings	83.60
Envelopes & Postage	11.00
Officers of Assn. and	
Bro. Reed	125.00
TOTAL	\$441.60

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

Percentage for Budgeting Cooperative Funds:

National Coop. Program	40%	
National Home Missions	10%	
National Foreign Missions	10%	
Bible College	10%	
State Cooperative Work	30%	
Children's Home		25%
Superannuation		25%
Youth Camp		10%
General Fund		40%

South Florida Association

MISSIONS BOARD REPORT

We are happy to report that our National Missions Departments are steadily growing. The increased number of personnel on the field of both our home and foreign mission work, thrills our hearts, but also causes us to realize our responsibility as Christians, and as members of Free Will Baptist Churches in the state of Florida. This added number on the field calls for an increase in support with our prayers and finances.

Our quota for 1963 for foreign missions is \$6,500.00. We have reached two-thirds of this amount. Our Home Missions quota is \$3,000.00. We had given one-half of this amount through August. This means that in order for us to reach our quotas we must not let up but continue to give as God leads. Some of our Associations are having Missions Conferences annually. This is a very good way to keep our people informed of the needs. We trust that all our Associations will endeavor to have these conferences also. Let us not only be willing to give for the financial need, but spend much time in prayer that God will have His way in all the phases of our Missions program.

Respectfully submitted,

West Florida Liberty Association

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

A one week session of the Florida Free Will Baptist Youth Camp was held June 23-28 with 84 enrolled. The Spirit of revival was enjoyed by those attending.

Vacation Bible Schools were held throughout the State.

This Board would like to recommend the following:

That the Pastors throughout the state urge the youth of their church to attend the annual encampments.

And that since our Bible College at Nashville, Tennessee has included in its curriculum a state teacher's program, we urge high school graduates to continue their teachers training in our Bible College. And, that we support the College financially and prayerfully.

West Florida Association

YOUTH CAMP STATEMENT — 1963

Income:

State Treasurer	\$ 25.00
Received from Campers	840.00
Panama City Church	9.25
Christian Home Church	10.00
Marvin Chapel Church	10.00
Rev. Bill George	8.25
Mrs. Eva Hewett	2.00
Groceries	7.82
Drinks and Candy	50.00
TOTAL	\$962.32

Paid Out:

Workers	\$475.34
Drinks	61.89
Groceries	154.44
Insurance	45.00
Building Materials (Ladies Rest Rooms)	19.25
Sur Gas	8.00
Stamps and Envelopes	2.00
Games (Croquette and Tennis)	13.37
Trips (Caverns and Woodruff Dam).....	42.20
Supplies (Daffin)	33.03
Telephone (Long Distance)	1.16
Refund (Two sick campers)	11.00
TOTAL	\$866.68
Returned to State Treasurer	\$ 95.64

FREEWILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Eldridge, Alabama

SUPERINTENDENTS CASH REPORT

October 1, 1962 Through September 30, 1963

	CHECKING RESERVE ACCOUNT ACCOUNT		TOTAL
CASH BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1962	\$ 108.51	\$1,474.93	\$ 1,583.44
Additions during the period			
Contributions	\$24,654.46	\$	\$24,654.46
Social security and support payments	5,757.60		5,757.60
Sales—Coupons	504.49		504.49
Cattle		937.41	937.41
Other Income—Tax Refunds	39.75		39.75
Telephone Refund	48.74		48.74
Miscellaneous	31.36		31.36
Total Additions	\$31,036.40	\$ 937.41	\$31,973.81
Total Cash to be Accounted For	\$31,144.91	\$2,412.34	\$33,557.25
DISBURSEMENTS DURING THE PERIOD			
Salaries and payroll taxes	\$11,309.23	\$	\$11,309.23
Food	5,651.31		5,651.31
Clothing	695.36		695.36
Office Expenses	750.54		750.54
Hardware and Maintenance	1,379.19		1,379.19
Gas and Oil	937.48		937.48
Heat-Butane Gas	784.08		784.08
Coal	556.09		556.09
Electricity	739.61		739.61
Telephone	518.72		518.72
Pest Control	90.00		90.00
Medical Expenses	563.41		563.41
Household Supplies and Expense	1,162.50		1,162.50
Education Costs	1,920.32		1,920.32
Travel	375.50		375.50
Bond and Insurance	364.90		364.90
Tags and Taxes	19.50		19.50
Vehicle Maintenance	729.38		729.38
Audit	75.00		75.00
Fire Hose	88.89		88.89
Dues	7.50		7.50
Flowers	27.56		27.56
Farm Expense	2,268.29		2,268.29
Total Disbursements	\$31,014.36	\$ —0—	\$31,014.36
CASH BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1963	\$ 130.55	\$2,412.34	\$ 2,542.89

WELCOME COMMITTEE

In behalf of, and for the State Association of Free Will Baptists, we, your welcome Committee would like to thank the Lord for new laborers in the field of harvest, and say to the following ministers, "welcome to the State of Florida: Frank Willis, Harvy Hill, Ed Cook, Luther Burns, Donald Hanna. May God's blessings go with you and give you souls for your labor.

Harvey Henderson, W. T. Granger W. H. Horton

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We, your appreciation committee submit the following:

We, the Appreciation Committee wish to express our gratitude and appreciation to Salem and Liberty Woman's Auxiliaries for their warm hospitality and good food that we were served during our Florida State Association here at the Youth Camp.

We also enjoyed the fellowship and messages that have been delivered here at the Association.

We also appreciate the committee that cared for the building and other things to make it more comfortable during our stay at the Youth Camp.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. R. Q. Addison, Mr. Franky Chatwood, C. L. Woodruff

REVISION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your Revision Committee, recommend the following revisions:

See the Constitution: ARTICLE III, Section 2. (Changed)

ARTICLE III, Section 6. (Changed)

ARTICLE III, Section 7. (Left Out)

ARTICLE III, Section 5. (Changed)

See By-Laws: Section 2. (Changed)

Section 6. (Added to)

Revision Committee

FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE

The Florida Free Will Baptist Bible Institute began its spring semester 1963 with 6 enrolled, but discontinued for lack of interest.

An extension course was held with the Sneads Church with 17 enrolled.

This Board would like to recommend to this body that the books at the Institute be brought to the Youth Camp and "bugproofed" for storage. And in the event that an association of this State could organize and set in motion a Bible Institute, that they be given an opportunity to use these books.

And that since the Institute has ceased to function, that we put to

use this property for the cause of Christ in this Association. And if there is not a use for it presently, that we sell it and use the money for the cause of Christ, possibly for improvement on the Youth Camp.

We further recommend that the money that has been allocated to Bible Institute be divided between Free Will Baptist College and the Headquarters building except enough to pay insurance to cover until disposition is made.

Board of Trustees

BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION REPORT

Upon investigation, we find that Brother T. J. Buck of Miami, Florida is unable to be active in the ministry because of ill health. We recommend he be listed for support from our Florida Superannuation treasury.

We further recommend that each local association and church be encouraged to support this phase of the Lord's work.

Also, we encourage each minister to consider the possibilities of the program of retirement insurance now offered by our National Superannuation Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Northeast Florida Association

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

We, your Placement Committee, recommend that the Florida State Association meet in its next session at the Florida State Youth Camp which will be on Wednesday evening, Thursday, and Friday before the first Sunday in November. The dates are October 28, 29 and 30, 1964.

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Rich. Freeman Edwards, Luther Burns

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, your Resolutions Committee, submit the following:

1. Be it resolved that the Moderator appoint a committee to study the possibility of the Florida Association hiring a promotional man. This committee would report at the State Association in 1964.

2. Be it resolved that the Camp Board employ someone to oversee the Youth Camp property.

Elro Driggers, I. O. Cook, Ocie Lee Jones

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Finance Committee, submit the following report:
 Association Fees paid: West Florida \$20, Central Florida \$20, South Florida \$10, Salem \$20, Liberty \$20, Northeast \$20.

Total Assn. Fees	\$110.00
Ministers Fees	34.00
Deacons Fees	20.00
Delegates Fees	36.00
Offering	38.20
Headquarters Building Offering	27.32
	4.00
Song Book Offering	102.65
Total	<u>\$366.67</u>

Respectfully submitted,
 Bill George, Woodrow Messex, Earnest Owen

FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in Bank, October 31, 1962	\$482.75
Receipts from all sources	209.57
Disbursements:	
For Supplies	\$ 9.70
Refund	10.00
Books	21.22
Utilities	13.15
Salaries	70.00
Insurance	58.23
TOTAL	<u>\$182.30</u>

Balance in Bank, October 31, 1963 \$510.02

Respectfully submitted,
 Ernest Owen, Treasurer

Total Associations Reporting	6
Individual Churches	7
Statistics:	
Total Membership	4,289
Churches	65
Missions	2
Deacons	10
Individual Church Delegates	9
Association Delegates	16
Visitors	16

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REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE (See the Officers and Boards on Page One)

CONSTITUTION

AND

BY-LAWS

OF THE

FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

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 By-Laws.

ARTICLE I — NAME OF ASSEMBLY

Section 1. This assembly shall be known as "THE FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS."

ARTICLE II — REPRESENTATION

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of delegates elected from the local associations belonging to this body and delegates elected from the local churches embraced by the various associations.

Section 2. All deacons and ministers who are members of, and in good standing with, a local church and local association, which are members of this body are standing delegates.

Section 3. The general officers of this body shall be standing delegates.

Section 4. The delegates shall be elected as follows: One (1) delegate from each local church composed of 100 members or fraction thereof and one (1) delegate from each additional 100 members or fraction thereof; five (5) delegates from each local association composed of 15 churches or fraction thereof and one (1) additional delegate for each additional four (4) churches or fraction thereof. The additional delegates can not be used unless the churches are active and are represented in the session in which they are appointed.

ARTICLE III — OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1. Officers: The officers of this association shall be a moderator, assistant moderator, secretary and a treasurer.

Section 2. Boards: The standing boards of this Association shall be Planning, Missions, Education, Superannuation, Youth Camp Trustees, and Trustees of Florida Free Will Baptist Bible Institute.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the moderator, assistant moderator, secretary, and treasurer. Other committees may be appointed as needed.

Section 4. 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 5. The regular election shall take place each year.

Section 6. Each standing board shall be composed of 5 members which shall be elected for 5 year terms on a rotating basis, so that one new member shall be elected yearly.

Section 7. 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 IV — MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular: This Association shall convene annually on Wednesday evening, Thursday, and Friday before the first Sunday in November.

Section 2. Special: The executive committee may be called into session by the Moderator, or by a majority of its members.

Section 3. Quorum: Fifty (50) percent of the delegates shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V — FINANCE

Section 1. 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 2. Fees are \$10.00 for an association, with five (5) churches. Associations with more than five (5) churches, fees are \$20.00, and for churches \$4.00 per delegate. Fees are \$2.00 for deacons and ministers.

Section 3. 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

BY-LAWS

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 two-thirds 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 member of all standing 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 and to surrender all records when leaving office.

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 this 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 Executive committee 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 the Mission Board to help make our people missionary minded.

Section 11. It shall be the duty of the Superannuation Board to make general plans for Superannuation for aged ministers, and to cooperate with the National Association in providing insurance protection for our younger ministers.

Section 12. 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.