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DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS

Association	Moderator	Clerk
Liberty	Rev. Bill George Rt. # 1, Bonifay, Fla.	Rev. Luther Burns Chipley, Fla.
Northeast	Rev. Jim Puckett Rt. 7, Box 264 Jacksonville, Fla.	Mrs. Loretta Gearhart 6026 Sabre Drive Jacksonville, Fla.
North	Rev. Floyd Dalton P. O. Box 486 Monticello, Fla.	Walter F. Rice 2302-36th Street Tampa, Fla.
Salem	Rev. Walter Eldridge P. O. Box 68, Cottondale, Fla.	Chester Cook Rt. 1, Box 192 Altha, Fla.
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West	Rev. Floyd Coleman Rt. 1, Atmore, Ala.	Mrs. Thelma Wiggins 3309 N. Franklin Ave. Pensacola, Fla.

MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED

Elro Driggers, Jacksonville,	W. C. Combs, Eau Gallie, Fla.
Floyd Dalton, Monticello, Fla.	Cecil Cooper, Winter Garden, Fla.
Ed Cook, West Hollywood, Fla.	Q. Hansley, Jacksonville, Fla.
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Jim Puckett, Jacksonville, Fla.	D. W. Collins, Lakeland, Fla.
Harvey Hill, Auburndale, Fla.	Buford Newberry, Hainey City, Fla.
Wendell Walley, Chipley, Fla.	Charles R. Windam, Orlando, Fla.
Milton R. Gann, Panama City, Fla.	R. N. Waycaster, Brandon, Fla.
Walter Eldridge, Cottondale, Fla.	Woodrow Messex, Auburndale, Fla.
R. L. Bales, Tampa, Fla.	Willie T. Jones, Lakeland, Fla.
Uhre Buster, Sneads, Fla.	A. C. Mercer, Mango, Fla.
Bill George, Bonifay, Fla.	Thomas J. Clay, Tampa, Fla.

DEACONS WHO REGISTERED

G. W. Cloud, Claude L. Davis, Fred Davis, C. W. Lynn, W. L. Stribling, Elzie Minor, Ernest Owen, Randy Brooks, Chester Cook, James E. Whitehurst, William Compton, Walter F. Rice, Leo Jordan, Coy Owens, Basil Williams, Charles Davis, Brice Anderson, S. L. Adams.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

First Free Will Baptist Church, Auburndale — Gladys Woodruff, C. L. Woodruff.

First Free Will Baptist Church, Tampa — Don W. Burke.

First Free Will Baptist Church, Panama — Nell Perry, Benny L. Perry.

Eaton Park Free Will Baptist Church, Lakeland — Mrs. Clayton Tucker.

Free Will Baptist Church of Eau Gallie — Ray Wells.

Cocoa Free Will Baptist Church, Cocoa — Norma Combs

Wesconnet Free Will Baptist Church — Jacksonville, Don Dingman.

Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Church, Chipley, Thelma Owens, Wallace E. Peterson Sr., Dewey Shannon, Wilma Shannon.

Free Will Baptist Church — West Hollywood, Mrs. William Compton.

ASSOCIATION DELEGATES

LIBERTY: Bertie Baxter, Corene George, Joe Nell Peterson, Katie Owen.

NORTHEAST: Nancy Driggers, James Lancaster, Dorothy Lancaster, Janie Hansley, Martha Moore.

NORTH: Vida M. Rice, Mrs. Floyd Dalton, Mrs. Don W. Pettis.

SALEM: J. W. Lamb, Mrs. J. W. Lamb.

SOUTH: Nancy Cook.

VICTORY: Ocie Lee Jones, Margaret Cooper, Mrs. E. J. Minor, M. M. Guy.

WEST: Mrs. Agnes Ashcraft, Carrie Burkett.

VISITORS

Rev. John Culliphin Jr., Winter Haven, Fla., Rev. Robert H. Claytt, Gainesville, Fla., Rev. Joe R. England, Gainesville, Fla., Rev. Paul J. Kettelman, Nashville, Tenn. Rev. Troy Lee Walsingham, Atmore, Ala., Mr. and Mrs. Bill Timmis, Taiwan, Formosa, Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Hill, Richmond, Va., Samuel E. Johnson, Nashville, Tenn., and 67 registered visitors and many others.



PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday Evening, November 3

The service began with Rev. Jim Puckett leading the congregation in several hymns. Prayer by Bro. Ernest Owen. Sang several other Hymns and prayer by Rev. Wendell Wally.

The host Pastor Harvey Hill welcomed the Association to the Auburndale church and introduced Moderator Elro Driggers, who gave us the theme of this meeting, "White Unto Harvest," Lamentations 1:12, and also called our attention to St. John 4:35. The congregation was challenged with this scripture and our great need to look on the fields that are "White Unto Harvest."

Welcome extended to the different Districts, new Ministers and new Deacons into our churches throughout the state.

Rev. Jim Puckett led singing with "Blessed Assurance," Special singing from the host church, Rev. Puckett sang a special "When Jesus Came." These songs we really enjoyed.

Message by Rev. Bill George which we really rejoiced hearing the word of God. Hymn of Invitation was given and all Ministers were asked to have Altar prayer, after which we sang "Amazing Grace."

The Moderator appointed the following committees. Committee on Committees: Ernest Owen, Ed Cook, G. W. Cloud, Troy L. Walsingham. Credential Committee; Chester Cook, John Rich, Floyd Dalton.

Announcement was made that Rev. and Mrs. Burns, and Mrs. Cook and Rev. Shuemate have had an accident on their way here and that Mrs. Burns was seriously hurt. Special prayer was offered on their behalf.

Closed with prayer by Rev. John M. Rich.

Thursday Morning, November 4

The service was opened with song "He Keeps Me Singing," led by Rev. Jim Puckett. Rev. Floyd Dalton led in prayer. Sang another Hymn "Standing on the Promises," after which Rev. Floyd Dalton led the devotion using Luke 6:46 "Why Call Ye Me, Lord, Lord, and do not that I say?" A wonderful message and very inspiring.

Motion made Seconded and carried that the Moderator appoint a Clerk in the absence of Bro. Burns. Rev. Millard Sasser was appointed.

Motion made and seconded and carried that Delegates from Association stand and be recognized. See Associations Delegates for names.

Moved and seconded that delegates be seated.

Moved and seconded and carried that Church Delegates stand and be recognized.

Moved and seconded that delegates be seated.

Committee on committees were dismissed by Moderator to begin work.

The congregation sang several songs and special singing.

Visitors were recognized: Rev. and Mrs. Combs from Cocoa, FWB Church gave testimony concerning the progress of the church. The church is progressing nicely and property is being acquired, membership

is increasing and the Lord is blessing. Request the prayers of the Association.

Bro. and Sister Bill Buster were introduced from Sneads, Florida.

Moved and Seconded to dismiss for ten minutes. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bill George.

Reconvened by Singing, "When We All Get To Heaven," and "Power in the Blood," led by Rev. Puckett. Prayer by Rev. Milton Gann.

Bro. Wendell Walley from Piney Grove FWB Church was introduced. Special song from local church, "What Will I Leave Behind."

Bro. Bob Hill was introduced and spoke to us on the Master's Men. Proposed projects were described. Bro. and Sister Bill Timmis from Formosa were introduced.

Rev. Ed Cook led the devotional service. He spoke on Mission or Missionary? Joel 3:13 Text.

Reports of Committees were given. Credential Committee report was given in complete. MSC.

Bro. Bill George made motion that the Association give the Board of Christian Education the grant of \$250.00 asked in their report. MSC

Report by the Board of Trustees on the Youth Camp given by Bro. Earnst Owen. He moved that the Moderator appoint a committee to look into the possibilities of a new camp. MSC. Committee members were as follows: Earnest Owen, Harvey Hill, Ed Cook, Troy L. Walsingham, Don Dingman, Chester Cook, Floyd Dalton.

A moment of silent prayer of appreciation for those departed from us was given by the congregation.

Rev. Bill Buster was introduced as the speaker for the morning. A wonderful Text from Luke 11:5-10 Subject Midnight.

Song led by Rev. Jim Puckett "The Old Rugged Cross."

Report of Committee on Committees was given. Motion to receive. MSC.

Move to accept Christian Education Board report. MSC.

Dismissed for Lunch in prayer by Bro. Que Hansley.

Thursday Afternoon, November 4

After a wonderful lunch prepared by the Auburndale Church, service began by song "I Love to tell the Story," with Rev. Puckett leading.

Prayer by Bro. Willie T. Jones. After which we enjoyed some wonder-special singing by the local church and Rev. Puckett and family.

Moved that Planning Board Report be accepted. MSC.

Report on Camp Meeting given only as information. Move to accept. MSC

Bro. Owen gave a discussion on the Co-Operative Program and how it works. There was much discussion.

Report on State Mission Board given. Motion to accept Items 1 & 3 and refer Item 2 back to committee for amendment. MSC.

Several spoke on our need for Missionary endeavors in Florida.

The National CTS Director Bro. Sam Johnson was introduced and spoke on CTS work and its relation to the State and Local Church.

Recessed until evening with prayer by Bro. Ray Wells.

Thursday Night, November 4

Bro. Jim Puckett opened the service by leading the congregation in several songs. Prayer by Bro. Paul Kettermann.

We then had a wonderful testimony service. It was then moved, seconded and carried that we receive an offering for the Burns family who were in the accident on their way to the meeting. Also that flowers be sent to all involved in the accident, that were hurt.

Special Singing by the local group and Rev. Jim Puckett.

Rev. Sam Shumate was introduced as the evening messenger speaking from Deut. 19:14, Prov. 22:28 subject Satan removing the Landmark. This was a very wonderful message and the Lord did bless. Song of Invitation "Have Thine Own Way," led by Rev. Puckett. A wonderful prayer took place around the Altar and the Lord did bless.

"Amazing Grace," was sung as the Benediction.

Friday Morning, November 5

Service began with prayer and song led by Bro. Milton Gann and Bro. Sam Johnson. "Victory In Jesus."

Morning Devotional was led by Rev. Troy L. Walsingham, Text John 3:16-17.

Moved to accept Children Home Report. MSC.

Bro. Paul Kettermann gave report on the Bible College. Moved to take offering for Bible College. MSC.

Resolution Committee report given. MSC to accept.

Youth Camp Report given. MSC to accept.

Mission Board report on Item 2 amendment. MSC to accept.

Treasurers Report given. MSC to accept.

Nominating Committee report given. MSC to receive Item by Item.

Motion that the State Youth Camp Board be desolved when the new Youth Camp is formed. MSC.

Motion that Bro. Owen and Rev. Harvey Hill be appointed to help form the new Youth Camp directors. MSC.

Motion to Adjourn. MSC Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Petterson.

REPORTS

Committee on Committees

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE: Don Dingman, Harvey Hill, Floyd Dalton.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Ray Wells, Berdie Baxter, Walter Rice.

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE: Claude Davis, Agnes Ashcraft, W. E. George.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE: W. C. Combs, Windell Walley, William Compton.

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE: Clayton Tucker, Milton Gann, Nancy Cook.

Submitted by;

Earnest Owen, Ed Cook, G. W. Cloud, Troy L. Walsingham.

MISSIONS BOARD REPORT

We, your State Mission Board make the following report. We would like to note that some progress has been made in our Missionary endeavor. The giving to the Home Mission Program has increased considerable this year. Some new churches have been organized for which we are thankful.

We suggest the following resolutions: (1) That the Association authorize the Mission Board to plan and begin a State supported plan of full time Missionary endeavors. (2) That the Mission Board & Executive Committee jointly work together in placing a promotional Secretary (Home Missionary) on the field as soon as possible. (3) That this Board be authorized to work in cooperation with the National Home Mission Board in supporting this State Secretary.

We recommend that (1) Each Local Association place special emphasis on the Home Mission Board during the year. (2) That each local Association Board work in cooperation with the State Board in beginning New Churches. We would like to know when new churches are organized.

Respectfully Submitted

Mission Board

BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION REPORT

There has been no application for the superannuation board this year therefore the board has had no activities.

Superannuation Board

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

We recommend the cooperative fund remain the same except superannuation 5% and children home 35%.

Planning Board

YOUTH CAMP BOARD REPORT

We recommend the following: (1) The budget be dropped from the State cooperative plan. (2) That a youth camp be located in Central Florida area, to purchase property that will be available also for promotional offices in the future and that we give the Eldridge Memorial Youth Camp and \$4000.00 to be used for this project. (2A) We also resolve a Youth Camp be established in North West Florida and \$16,000.00 be used on this project also they are to keep the present Youth Camp grounds at Two Egg, Fla. (2B).

Board of Trustees

Income:

Retained from 1964	\$211.20
Campers Fees	120.50
Night Offerings	105.89
Missions	113.90
Money for food from churches	125.50
Coca Cola & Candy	92.60
Cash for Eggs	7.50
Flowers	8.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$785.09

Paid Out:

F.W.B. Children's Home	\$ 25.00
Cooks	148.00
Rev. Charles Thigpen	35.00
Rev. Reford Wilson	35.00
Foreign Missions	113.90
Coca Cola	37.19
Telegram	1.34
Eggs	7.50
Flowers (Jutson Moore)	10.00
Candy	6.50
Groceries	31.22
Brotherhood Mutual Ins. Company	36.00
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TOTAL PAID OUT	486.65
Balance in Treasury at this date	\$290.44



BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

The Board of Christian Education submit the following report.

This Board met twice during the past year on Dec. 8, 1964 and on Feb. 16, 1965.

We are offering the following recommendations:

1. We recommend and urge each Association to sponsor a Sunday School Teachers Workshop during this Associational year using the services of personnel from our National Sunday School Department. It was also recommended that the church nearest the center of the Association act as the host church.
2. We recommend and urge each church or churches that are close to each other and who desire to come together for this endeavor to have a church Training Service Workshop using the services of personnel from our National C. T. S. Department.
3. We recommend and urge each church in Florida to use Sunday School, C. T. S., or any other literature put out by our National Association and to patronize our bookstore.
4. We recommend and urge every church to subscribe to "Contact" on the Family Plan.
5. We recommend and urge young people from our state to attend Free Will Baptist Bible College.
6. We recommend and urge our pastors to encourage our young people to take advantage of the opportunity offered by the Free Will Baptist Bible College to attend the Bible Conference in April of each year, and the Missionary Conference in October.
7. We recommend and urge each church to sponsor a Daily Vacation Bible School.
8. We recommend each moderator of the various associations of our state grant time on the program of an associational meeting to promote the work of the Board of Christian Education. It is to be understood that the association would pay the travel expenses of the Board member at the rate of six cents (6¢) per mile.
9. We recommend a grant of \$250.00 to be used by this Board for promotion and travel in the work of Christian Education. We recommend that necessary expenses involved by the Christian Board of Education be paid from the Youth Camp Fund, but not to exceed \$250.00.

Prayerfully Submitted,
Rev. Harvey Hill, Chairman
Rev. Eddie Cook
Mr. C. L. Woodruff
Rev. Milton Gann

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We the finance committee submit the following: Association fees paid; Liberty \$20, Northeast \$10, North \$20, Salem \$20, South \$10, Victory \$20, West \$20.

Total Association Fees Paid	\$120.00
Ministers Fees	62.10
Deacons Fees	34.00
Church Delegates	44.00
Bible College	59.16
Special Love Offering for Mr. and Mrs. Burns	68.35
Total Received	<u>\$387.61</u>

Respectively Submitted,
Ray Wells, Bertie Baxter, Walter F. Rice

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We recommend that the action taken yesterday on the adoption of the State Co-operative Plan of support be rescinded and that we adopt the following:

Co-operative Plan (Basis - \$100.00)

50% to National Work	\$50.00
50% to State Work	\$50.00

State Co-operative plan: (Basis \$50.00)

25% to childrens home	\$12.50
15% to Superannuation	7.50
50% to Home Mission	25.00
10% to General Fund	5.00

\$50.00

National Co-operative plan: (Basis \$50.00)

70% to National Co-operative plan	\$35.00
10% to National Home Missions	5.00
10% to National Foreign Mission	5.00
10% to Bible College	5.00

\$50.00

Respectively Submitted,
Dan Dingman, Floyd Dalton, Harvey E. Hill

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We the appreciation committee submit the following:

We wish to express our appreciation to the Auburndale church for the wonderful way which they have entertained us. The food has been wonderful, and the fellowship great.

May we give a rising vote to these great and wonderful people.

Respectively Submitted,

Rev. Bill George, Sis. Agnes Ashcraft, Claude Davis.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Total Reporting:

Associations	7
Churches	71
Total Membership	4846
Ministers Registered	31
Deacons Registered	17
Church Delegates	11
Association Delegates	21
Visiting Ministers	6

Respectively Submitted

John M. Rich, Chester Cook, Floyd Dalton

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

We, your Placement Committee offer the following recommendation. We recommend that the 22nd Session of the State Association (upon request) convene with the Chipley Free Will Baptist Church, Chipley, Florida.

Respectively Submitted

Milton Gann, Mrs. Ed Cook, Charles Tucker

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

(See Officers and Boards on Page One)

OCTOBER 31, 1964 - OCTOBER 15, 1965

<u>PROJECT</u>	BALANCE		BALANCE	
	OCT. 31, 1964			
National Coop Program	\$ —	\$2,465.28	\$2,465.28	\$ —
Foreign Missions	—	2,103.90	2,103.90	—
Home Missions	—	1,177.65	1,177.65	—
Children's Home (Ala.)	—	853.43	853.43	—
Children's Home (Tenn.)	—	40.95	40.95	—
Children's Home (S. C.)	—	20.00	20.00	—
Bible College (Gen.)		1,248.31	1,248.31	—
Bible College (Alumni)	—	250.00	250.00	—
Headquarters Bldg. Fund	50.65	—	50.65	—
Superannuation	306.69	495.75	—	820.44
Youth Camp Bldg. Fund	20.00	196.88	—	216.88
Youth Camp Gen. Fund	688.21	.566.32	577.45	677.08
State League Convention	—	43.75	—	43.75
State Coop Program	3.50	2.40	—	5.90
Youth Camp Song Books	107.65	—	107.30	.35
General Fund	(244.83)	809.30	235.77	526.70
	198.00			
Insurance From Y. Camp	—	20,000.00	—	20,000.00
Undivided Funds	—	17.00	—	17.00
Gift For Promotional Work	—	100.00	100.00	—

Jones and Tyson	—	24.19	24.19	—
Poole	—	135.00	135.00	—
Payne	—	845.24	845.24	—
Fulcher	—	11.00	11.00	—
Cronk	—	10.00	10.00	—
Aldridge	—	131.00	131.00	—
Phipps	—	11.00	11.00	—
Whaley	—	11.00	11.00	—
Billows	—	115.00	115.00	—
Coscia	—	146.00	146.00	—
Rice	—	8.00	8.00	—
Brooks	—	171.34	171.34	—
Johnson	—	6.00	6.00	—
Palmer	—	2.00	2.00	—
Wilkinson	—	486.01	486.01	—
Hawaii Land	—	35.00	35.00	—
Lake Wales Church	—	120.00	120.00	—
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	\$1,129.87			506.41

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<u>Paid Out of General Fund</u>	
Central Office Supply	
For Minutes	\$115.00
For Supplies	2.55
Promotional Work	58.22
National Assoc. Fee	60.00
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	\$235.77

<u>Paid Out of Youth Camp Fund</u>	
Lights	\$ 70.43
Telephone	44.39
Supplies (Repairs, etc.) ...	99.28
Insurance	164.01
Travel Expense For	
Education Board	199.34
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	\$577.45

RECEIPTS AND SOURCES

North Florida Association

Cooperative	\$ 121.85	
Foreign Missions	29.50	
Youth Camp	20.00	
Children's Home	28.00	
(Alabama)	<hr/>	
		199.35

North East Association

Cooperative	\$ 457.00	
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		457.00

Salem Association

Cooperative	\$1519.13	
Home Missions	80.06	
Foreign Missions	12.43	
Bible College	77.00	
Children's Home	117.50	
(Alabama)		
Youth Camp	75.00	
Superannuation	33.50	
Wilkinson	253.73	
Rice	2.00	
Coscia	6.00	
Palmer	2.00	
Payne	691.86	
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		2870.21

South Florida Association

Cooperative	\$ 40.00	
Children's Home	40.95	
(Tenn.)		
Children's Home	20.00	
(S. C.)		
Children's Home	21.50	
(Ala.)		
Foreign Missions	130.23	
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		252.68

Liberty Association

Cooperative	\$2946.54	
Home Missions	241.78	
Billows	100.00	
Whaley	8.00	
Hawaii Land	35.00	
Johnson	6.00	
For'n. Missions	1247.23	
Mohlemans	5.00	
Coscia	136.00	
Aldridge	128.00	
Fulcher	8.00	
Phipps	8.00	
Cronk	7.00	
Wilkinson	232.28	
Rice	6.00	
Jones & Tyson	24.19	
Bible College	563.39	
Bible Co. Alum.	250.00	
Children's Home	185.88	
(Ala.)		
Gift-Prom. Work	100.00	
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		6238.29

West Florida Association

Cooperative	\$ 739.82
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Central (Victory) Association

Cooperative	\$ 312.20	
Home Missions	36.00	
Foreign Missions	68.12	
Bobby Poole	135.00	
Lake Wales Ch.	120.00	
Children's Home	92.80	
(Ala.)	<hr/>	
		764.12

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 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 co-operate 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.

ASSOCIATIONAL STATISTICS

ASSOCIATIONS	Churches	Membership	Ordained Ministers	Sunday Schools	Sunday School Enrollment	Leagues	League Enrollment	Womans Auxiliary	Auxiliary Roll	Youth Auxiliaries	Master's Men Chpts.	Prayer Meetings	Parsonages	Value of Churches	General Offerings	Spent Locally	Co-operative Program	Bible College	Mission	Other
Liberty	13	890	12	12	674	9	329	6	75	9	2	11	6	\$232½	\$31,956.54	\$59,344.84	\$2,290.04	\$805.00	\$2,578.15	\$469.24
Northeast	4	281	9	4	338	2	106	6	36	2	1	5	0	150,000.00	21,098.71	18,588.21	626.40	1,036.36	0	16.00
North	9	603	11	9	439	4	155	3	28	0	0	6	0	64	14,427.37	13,571.13	45.50	0	409.40	229.00
Salem	20	1422	13	13	677	8	200	8	80	5	1	8	1	208	51,965.94	16,846.00	1,331.08	0	617.63	1,916.54
South	3	220	2	3	258	2	65	2	35	2	1	3	1	125	29,619.09	7,660.85	0	442.54	2,114.18	2,898.00
Victory	13	907	20	12	931	8	244	9	92	0	4	12	0	308½	72,911.58	15,194.38	45.00	85.44	1,700.58	582.87
West	9	617	17	9	533	6	274	4	40	1	2	9	1	132	27,644.77	23,785.36	1,409.02	25.00	1,034.77	847.20
TOTALS	71	4890	84	62	3850	39	1373	33	386	19	11	54	9	1,320,000	\$249,624.00	\$154,991.76	\$57,470.04	\$1,594.34	\$8,449.71	\$4,958.85