

**FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

1968

**MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION
FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Winter Haven, Florida**

&

**FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Auburndale, Florida**

Theme: "Commissioned and Committed"

Text: Mark 16:15, 20

NEXT SESSION

**St. Johns Free Will Baptist Church
Perry, Florida**

OCTOBER 29-31, 1969

OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES

FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

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MODERATOR – Rev. Harvey Henderson

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Johnny Eason (72)

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Wendell Walley (70)

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LIBERTY – Mrs. Bertie Baxter, Mrs. Vera Owens, Mrs. Lucile Cook,
Mrs. Robert Crawford, Mr. Robert Howell

ALTERNATES: Mr. Bennie Perry, Mrs. Nell Perry,
Mr. Jack Cox

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NORTH FLORIDA – Mrs. Molly Pettis, Mrs. Margaret Cooper,
Mrs. Mary A. Davis

SALEM – W. M. Compton, Mrs. Ralph Bell, Mrs. Joe Spears

VICTORY – Mrs. Allen C. Sommerall, Mrs. Imogene Knight,
Mrs. Irene Reghtey, Mrs. Vivian Summerall,
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Mrs. Kathryn Sheets,
ALTERNATE: Mrs. Gladys Minor

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James E. Jones – First Church, Niceville, Florida
Thelma Owens – Piney Grove, Chipley, Florida
Thomas Collins – First Church, Winter Haven, Florida
Lena Richards – First Church, Chipley, Florida
Dean Lawson – First Church, Hollywood, Florida
Charles Tessier – First Church, Ocala, Florida



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Association	Moderator	Clerk
Liberty	Rev. Bill George Route 1 Bonifay, Florida 32425	Rev. Wendell Walley Route 4 Chipley, Florida 32428
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REGISTERED MINISTERS – Willie T. Jones, Robert Owen, Otis Whitehead, Millard Sasser, David P. Pettis, A. C. Truluck, W. C. Combs, W. E. Cathey, H. E. Willis, M. E. Borden, W. A. Hansley, Harvey Henderson, William Compton, Robert Crawford, Wendell Walley, Johnny Eason, W. T. Turnbaugh, John Cullipher, C. S. Williamson, Earl Rodgers, Chester A. Huckaby, Rufus Coffey, Paul J. Kettelman, Cecil Cooper, Curtis Sheets, Leon Owens, E. I. Minor, D. W. Collins, Novis Edwards, H. Reedy Saverance, Roger C. Reeds, Milton Gann, Wayne Hicks, James Fields.

REGISTERED DEACONS – Thomas Christian, Earl C. Cook, Ebin Borden, Claude L. Davis, G. W. Cloud, Ernest Owen, Coy Owens, Ted Davis, S. L. Adams, Basil Williams, Julius Guy, J. R. Lawrence, I. W. Lynns, Walter F. Rice, Randy Branch, John Guy.

REGISTERED VISITORS – There were many who registered as visitors at the State Association. Our visitors included representatives from our national departments.

Rev. Homer Willis--National Home Missions

Rev. Roger Reeds--Sunday School Department

Rev. Rufus Coffey--Executive Secretary

Rev. Paul Kettelman--Free Will Baptist Bible College,
Nashville, Tennessee

PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday Evening, October 30, 1968 7:00 P.M.

convening at

THE FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Winter Haven, Florida

The service began with congregational singing of "Amazing Grace" led by Rev. Harvey Henderson. Rev. Robert Owen led the congregation in the opening prayer.

The welcome address was given by Rev. Harvey Henderson, the host pastor and host moderator.

The congregation sang "At Calvary" and "Blessed Assurance" and the local church presented special singing.

The Association Clerk, Rev. Millard Sasser, introduced the officers of the Association: Mr. Ernest Owen, Treasurer; Rev. W. A. Hansley, Promotional Secretary; and Rev. W. C. Combs, Assistant Moderator, who was presiding in the absence of Rev. Elro Driggers, the Moderator. After the introduction of the officers, the moderator delivered the Moderator's Message. Rev. Combs based his remarks on the same theme text, Mark 16:15&20. After his message, members from the local church presented a special song.

Rev. John Eason preached the opening message, using Matthew 16:13-18 and Acts 2:41-46 as his text.

Rev. Homer Willis, Director of National Home Missions, gave a report from the Home Missions Department.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator:

Committee on Committees:

Wendell Walley, Bill Cathy, Coy Owens, W.T. Turnbaugh,
Robert Owen.

Credentials Committee:

Millard Sasser, David Pettis, Thomas Collins, G. W. Cloud.

Rev. Rufus Coffey, Executive Secretary of the National Association, gave a brief report.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Thursday Morning, November 1, 1968 9:30 A.M.

Auburndale Free Will Baptist Church

Bro. Ernest Owen led the congregation in singing "Blessed Assurance". Rev. Wendell Walley led in prayer. Rev. Bill Cathy brought the morning devotional message using Col. 1:9-11 as his text and "Pastoral Concern" as his subject.

The Moderator welcomed all the visitors to the State Association. MSC to seat all standing delegates (ordained ministers and deacons).

There was a few minutes of congregational and special singing while awaiting committee reports.

NOTE: For all committee reports, see the second under the heading, "Reports".

MSC to accept Credential Committee's Report as partial report.

MSC to seat delegates from Associations and churches.

MSC to accept the report on the "Coordinator".

MSC to accept the Committee on Committee's report.

Rev. Rufus Coffey gave a report on the work of the National Promotional office. He gave the date and time of the 1969 session of the National Association. It is to be held in St. Louis, Missouri, July 14-17, 1969. Headquarters Hotel will be the Sheraton-Jefferson, 12th St. and Washington. MSC to accept this report.

MSC to accept the report by the State Home Mission Board (Partial).

Thursday Morning Worship Service

Rev. Harvey Henderson led the congregation in "I Am Thine O Lord". Rev. Roger Reeds led in prayer. The congregation then sang "At the Cross". An offering was received for the State Moderator, Rev. Driggers, who was unable to attend. The amount was \$67.00.

There was special music before Rev. Robert Crawford brought the morning message. Rev. Crawford's text was Psalms 107:1-15.

The congregation sang "Victory in Jesus" and Rev. Wendell Walley prayed the benediction. We were dismissed for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon

Rev. W. A. Hansley led the congregation in "There is Power in the Blood" and Rev. Milton Gann led in prayer. The afternoon devotional message was brought by Rev. H. Reedy Severance, using Romans 12:1,2 as his text.

MSC to accept a report given by Rev. Paul Kettleman on the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee.

MSC to accept a report from the National Sunday School Department given by Rev. Roger Reeds.

MSC to accept the constitution and by-laws for the State Home Mission Board.

MSC to accept a report given by Rev. Robert Owens on the next project in State Home Missions. This project will be entitled "Florida State Home Missions Project".

Mr. L. A. Whitehead from the National Home Life Assurance Company spoke a few minutes about health insurance.

MSC to accept the Executive Board's Report.

MSC to accept the report by the Christian Education Board.

MSC to accept the report from the Board of Superannuation.

The report by the Youth Board was given. Rev. Otis Whitehead moved to accept the report as given. A substitute motion was given.

It was: "We accept the Board's report and submit the recommendations to the Resolutions Committee for their consideration. The Youth Board will assist the Resolutions Committee on these recommendations". The substitute motion was seconded and carried.

The Thursday afternoon meeting was adjourned and dismissed with prayer.

Thursday Night

Rev. Wendell Walley led the congregation in singing "Praise Him" and Rev. Otis Whitehead led in prayer. The congregation then sang "At Calvary".

MSC to give the Thursday Night offering to the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville.

Rev. Wendell Walley led in singing "Oh, How I Love Jesus".

Rev. Harvey Henderson preached the evening message using Mark 16:14-16 as his text. After the message the congregation sang "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and Rev. David Pettis led in the closing prayer.

Friday Morning

The service began with the congregation singing "When We All Get to Heaven". Rev. Leon Owens opened the service with prayer and the morning Devotional message was preached by Rev. W. C. Combs using Mark 16:15, 20 as his text.

MSC to accept the treasurer's report.

MSC to accept the report on Camp Bethlehem.

MSC to accept the Camp Meeting report. The date for the 1969 Camp Meeting was given as the week of July 28.

MSC to accept the final report of the Credentials committee.

MSC to accept the report on Camp Alafai.

MSC to accept the report by the Placement Committee.

MSC to accept the report of the Planning Board.

MSC to accept the report of the Appreciations Committee.

The Resolutions Committee gave its report and it was moved, seconded and carried to accept the report and vote on the report item by item. Each item was voted on separately and where there were motions affecting the item they are listed below with the number of the item. All of the report is found under the section entitled "Reports".

Resolution number 7: Be it resolved that the Florida State Association pay five cents per mile on travel expense of the Children's Home Trustee to attend Board Meetings. Motion was seconded and carried.

Moved and seconded to pay five cents per mile out of the Children's Home Fund. The move was lost.

MSC to pay five cents per mile out of the General fund to the trustee to attend the Board Meetings.

Resolution number 8 was accepted. MSC to grant the Board of Christian Education \$250.00 for the coming association year.

Delegates and alternates were selected and approved for the National Association in 1969.

MSC to accept the Nominating Committee's Report and vote item by item: (See Officer page).

MSC to elect a committee to set up guide lines for the Promotional Secretary. The Committee was to present its report to the Executive Committee for approval. The committee was made up of the following: Rev. Leon Owens, Rev. Reedy Severance, Rev. Wayne Hicks, Rev. Robert Crawford and Bro. Thomas Collins.

MSC that all of the above elected men remain on the committee even though some are on the Executive Board.

MSC that we stand in silent memory of the late missionary Tom Wiley, Sr. and Rev. Walter Eldridge.

MSC to accept the report of the Appreciation Committee.

MSC to thank the officers of this session for their work.

MSC that all standing committees meet at the same time the Executive Committee meets previous to the first setting of the 1969 Association. The Executive Committee meets early on the same day the Association begins.

The Moderator declared the 1968, 24th Annual Session of the Florida State Association adjourned. The congregation sang "Amazing Grace" and was dismissed with prayer.

REPORTS

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

1. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Curtis Sheets
Robert Crawford
W. T. Turnbough
H. Reedy Severance
Chester Cook

2. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Milton Gann
Harvey Henderson
G. W. Cloud

3. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Earl Cook
Thelma Wiggins
Cecil Cooper

4. APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

Walter Rice
Robert Howell
Ruby Amerson

5. PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

Wingate Hansley
William Compton
Johnny Eason

Respectively Submitted,
Robert Owen
W. T. Turnbough
Coy Owen
W. E. Cathey
Wendell Walley

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Partial Report:

We have examined the letters of the Associations and find all letters in order with proper fees. We recommend that the Associations' delegates be seated.

We have examined the local church registration and find that the proper fees have been paid. We recommend that the local church delegates be seated.

Final Report:

Associations	5
Churches	73
Number Quarterly	32
Missions	0
Total Members	5,420
Number of Parsonages	23
Number of Ordained Ministers	106
Number of Licensed Ministers	12
Number of Ordained Deacons	176
Average attendance mid-week services	1,263
Enrollment of Sunday School	4,298
Average attendance in Sunday School	3,114
Enrollment of CTS	1,629
Average attendance in CTS	1,220
Enrollment of Woman's Auxiliary	393
Average attendance of Woman's Auxiliary	247
Enrollment of Master's Men	138
Average attendance of Master's Men	89
Ministers registered	32
Deacons registered	17
Church delegates	10
Association delegates	26
Visiting ministers	4
Visitors	44
Total registered	133

Respectively submitted,

David Pettis

Tom Collins

G. W. Cloud

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We your Resolutions committee submit the following resolutions:

1. Be it resolved that all churches in the State of Florida endeavor to advertise the place and time of their services by road signs, newspapers, yellow pages of telephone directory, etc.
2. Be it resolved that the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptist recommend that the Treatise dealing with the condition of the backslider and feet washing be left as they now appear.
3. Be it resolved that this body bear the expenses of a delegation composed of Rev's. W. A. Hansley and Wendell Walley with Rev. W. C. Combs standing as an alternate to represent us at the national office building beginning 5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 2, 1968.
4. Be it resolved that the expenses (\$99.16) incurred by attending the National Association of Free Will Baptist in July 1968 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma by our State Promotional Secretary be repaid.
5. Be it resolved that the expenses (travel and lodging) of our State Promotional Secretary to paid to the national association and national Promotional Secretaries' Meeting as long as the office is maintained.
6. Be it resolved that the Florida State Association pay 5¢ per mile on travel expenses of the Children's Home trustee to attend board meetings.
7. Be it resolved that the executive committee draw up guide lines to govern the activities of the Board of Education and present it to the State Association at our 1969 session. Also that our churches be encouraged to support Free Will Baptist Bible College general fund and development program. Also that our churches follow through on the suggested study of National Woman's Auxiliary, CTS and Sunday School Boards.
8. Be it resolved that the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptist pay the bill incurred by the Youth Board for trophies given at youth rally this past June in the amount of \$59.79.
9. Be it resolved that we accept the resignation of Bro. Ray Wells, with appreciation for his services, from the youth board.
10. Be it resolved that Bro. James Puckett serve as chairman of the Youth Board until they can meet and elect a chairman, since Bro. Ray Wells has resigned.

Respectively submitted;

R. B. Crawford

Chester L. Cook

H. Reedy Severance

W. T. Tumbough

C. Curtis Sheets

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We the appreciation committee wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to the three host churches, Winter Haven, Haines City, and Auburndale for the warm welcome extended us this 1968 State Association.

Especially we appreciate the opportunity of meeting the first night in the Winter Haven church and having a chance to see the fruits of our labor in Florida.

We appreciate the warm hospitality extended to us in the homes which were made available and the fine food served us. We realize that someone made a sacrifice and we appreciate this.

May God Bless these churches and continue to help them in their growth.

We wish to show this appreciation by a standing ovation.

Respectively submitted,
Robert Howell
Walter Rice
Ruby Amerson

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Please see the page containing the officers and boards. Page 1.

Respectively submitted,
Milton Gann
Harvey Henderson
G. W. Cloud

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

The Mt. Carmel and St. Johns Free Will Baptist Churches of Perry, Florida request the honor of entertaining the 1969 session of the State Association of Free Will Baptist. The meeting to be held with the St. Johns Church.

The First Free Will Baptist Church of Tampa request the honor of entertaining the 1970 session of the State Association of Free Will Baptist.

Respectfully submitted,
W. A. Hansley
Johnny Eason
Wm. Compton

FLORIDA STATE HOME MISSION BOARD

ANNUAL REPORT 1967-1968

Go Ye. Look upon the fields. Come over and help us. Let us send forth laborers. Florida is a mission field. May we accept the challenge. Forgetting the past and looking unto the future we submit our report as a matter of record and approval, pressing toward the mark in Christ Jesus.

The board has met 3 times during the year. The cooperation of all members has been outstanding. Not a single note of discord has been sounded. In a prayerful environment we have met and coordinated the work at hand and planned future undertakings which we believe the Holy Spirit will lead us to see accomplished. A constitution and by-laws has been formulated and will be presented for your consideration. An application form to be used when applying for a loan from the board has been prepared and put into use. We ask the association to join us in expressing our appreciation to our secretary-treasurer, Rev. A. C. Truluck, for the contribution he has made to our board during the past year. We regret his departure from our state and wish him the best in our Lord's service.

Report of Board Meetings:

Nov. 17, 1967. The board met in Chipley, Fla. with all the members present except Robert Owen. In the absence of the chairman A. C. Truluck acted as the chairman. Members of the executive board meeting with us at this time were: Elro Driggers, Ernest Owens and Wingate Hansley. Mrs. Ernest Owens was present in the meeting. The meeting was opened with prayer. Discussion was held in reference to the transfer of funds in project 30 account and the church extension fund account. The following amounts were balanced in the state treasurers books as of the state associational meeting.

A. Church Extension	\$6,651.65
less \$1500.00 grant to Ocala Church	1,500.00-
less \$142.35 legal fees Ocala Church	142.35-
Net to be transferred	\$5,009.30
B. Project 30	2,940.56
C. Total to be transferred:	7,949.86

Due to the deficient account of the promotional department the total amount in the book balance was not available for transfer at the present time. The board voted to carry as a loan \$3949.86 to the promotional department without interest and payment from the state treasurer to be made quarterly as the money becomes available through the cooperative allocation.

Actual amount received from state treasurer:	\$4,000.00
A. Project 30:	2,940.56
B. Church Extension:	1,059.44

The Titusville church had made application for a loan of \$4,000.00 and had been approved by the executive board prior to the mission board being delegated responsibility for the church extension work by the state association. The board voted to approve the action of the executive board and advised the secretary to notify the Titusville church of the approval. A subcommittee was elected to meet and prepare a constitution and by-laws for the operation of the home mission board. This committee was to prepare this constitution and by-laws and mail copies to each board member and after adequate time for study the chairman is to call another meeting for final action on this document and preparation for submission to the state association for final approval. Members appointed to the committee were: A. C. Truluck and W. T. Jones. Members appointed to represent the executive board were: W. C. Combs and W. A. Hansley.

Feb. 23, 1968. The board met at the Ocala Free Will Baptist Church. All members of the board were present. Others who met with us as visitors were: Wingate Hansley and Ernest Owens. Brother Cathey led in prayer after the chairman read a brief scripture selection.

An appeal from the Davie church was presented in which they were asking assistance in securing a pastor for the church. The board voted to try to secure a pastor for the Davie church through an article in the coordinator and other means of communication and personal contact by the board members. A letter is to be written to Rev. Troy Smith, pastor of the Davie church, informing him of the action of the board. At present no financial assistance can be given this church in support of a pastor. Confirmation of the call by the Winter Haven church of Rev. Harvey Henderson as pastor was made. Motion carried to continue support of Project 30 as follows: 50% for the next six months beginning March 1 and 25% for the remaining six months. Note: This action was taken upon request of the Winter Haven church and is in accord with the original contract agreed upon.

A motion was approved for the secretary to prepare a proposed application form to be used by loan applicants. The proposed form is subject to approval of the chairman of the board. A motion was approved to give the Hollywood Church first consideration for a loan upon availability of funds. A motion was approved that the balance be help in treasury to complete project 30 at Winter Haven.

The proposed constitution and by-laws was considered item by item. The constitution and by-laws was approved with changes to article one and four. Article one changed to include Florida in the name of the board, and article four changed the term of officers from 2 years as proposed to 1 year. The adopted constitution and by-laws will be presented to the next state associational meeting for final approval.

Oct. 1, 1968. The board met at the Ocala Free Will Baptist Church. All members of the board were present except Bill Cathey who had requested to be excused from this meeting. Visitors present were: Elro Driggers, Wingate Hansley, Millard Sasser, and Bro. Lancaster. Bro. Driggers read the 34th Psalm and Bro. Hansley led in prayer.

Minutes of previous meeting and financial report was given. A motion was approved that the treasurer obtain a computation sheet to be furnished each church which has a loan to show the principal and interest of their account thru their loan period. Note: The financial report shows this amount as, \$3939.86 due to a designated gift of \$10.00 from the Malone church being applied to this account.

A motion was approved to authorize the secretary to mimeograph the annual report and loan application form. The application form was changed to include a remarks block and signature block for the chairman and secretary of the mission board. A motion was approved to pay travel expense of Elro Driggers to this meeting inasmuch as he was invited to attend for special reasons. Dismissed in prayer to meet jointly with the executive board October 30 at the Winter Haven church.

Robert Owen, Chairman
A. C. Truluck, Secretary
Bill George)
Bill Cathey) Members
W. T. Jones)



FLORIDA STATE HOME MISSION BOARD

FINANCIAL REPORT 1967-1968

Project 30:

Received from State Treasurer: As of Oct. 1, 1967	\$2904.56
Total Receipts:	1369.39
Total to account for:	4309.95
Paid Out: (National Home Mission Board)	1535.00
Balance on hand: As of 30 Sept. 1968	2774.95
	<u>10.00</u>
	2764.95

Receipts to project 30 as follows:

J. A. Cardwell	\$ 20.00	Orlando Church	\$110.00
St. John Church	275.00	1st Sneads Church	29.65
1st Chattahoochee	7.50	Coy Owens	8.00
Wesley Owens	36.00	State Assn. & Misc.	119.00
1st Cocoa Church	25.00	Poplar Head	23.39
Niceville Church	56.45	Malone Church	55.00
Abigail Church	110.00	Shiloh Church	40.00
State Womans Auxiliary	43.00	Beulah Church	10.00
Mt. Carmel Church	50.00	Chipley Church	225.00
Salem Association	56.00	West Fla. Assn.	70.00

General Fund:

From State Treasurer	\$1059.44
Accumulated checks	
since State meeting	310.00
Payments on Loans	2884.15
Co-op Plan Allocation	1526.00
Malone Church (def. acct.)	10.00
Davie Church	12.00
Womans Auxiliary (State)	54.98
Total Receipts	5856.57

Paid Out:

Titusville Loan	\$4000.00
Phone Calls	13.15
Travel (Board Mts.)	204.50
Central Fla.	
Youth Camp	300.00
North Fla.	
Youth Camp	300.00
Old Fashion	
Camp Meeting	300.00
Total Paid Out	5117.65

Total to Account For: \$5856.57

Total Paid Out: 5117.65

Balance as of 30 Sept '68 738.92

Accounts Receivable:

Balance as of Sept. 30, 1968.

Grace Church	\$5649.13	Beulah Church	\$3753.30
Orlando Church	3732.07	Ensley Church	5629.91
Lakeland Church	1842.39	Titusville Church	3837.18

Total Accounts Reveivable: \$24,443.98

Respectively Submitted,
In Christ Service
A. C. Truluck,
Secretary-Treasurer

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE FLORIDA STATE HOME MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. NAME:

This board shall be known as the Florida State Home Mission Board of Free Will Baptists.

Article 2. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this board shall be that of promoting mission work among Free Will Baptists in the State of Florida.

Article 3. MEMBERSHIP:

This board shall be composed of members elected by the State association and shall serve terms established on a rotational basis: one members term shall expire annually. The number of members of this board shall be determined by the constitution and by-laws of the state association.

Article 4. OFFICERS:

Officers of the Board shall be: A Chairman, a Vice Chairman and a Secretary-Treasurer. These officers shall hold office for one (1) year and may be elected to serve succeeding terms. Members of the board shall elect the officers of the board.

Article 5. MEETINGS:

Meetings shall be held as the need arises. Necessary meetings may be called by the chairman or the secretary-treasurer. Mileage for board members expenses shall be paid from the general fund limited to 10¢ per mile one way.

Article 6. COMMITTEES:

Committees may be appointed by the chairman or elected by the the board as the need arises.

Article 7. REPORTS:

A complete report of the board meetings and activities and a complete financial report must be presented to the annual state associational meeting.

Article 8. FINANCES:

This board shall receive its finances from churches and individuals making special contributions, cooperative program allocations, interest on loans, and special offerings received through promoting missions.

Article 9 MISCELLANEOUS:

Section 1. Missions and churches receiving financial support from this board must be Free Will Baptists which prove themselves sound in doctrine and practices as Free Will Baptists.

Section 2. Missions and churches receiving financial support from this board shall consider this board as an advisory body in such matters as the selection of a pastor and further financial obligations.

Section 3. Any work receiving financial support must agree to support the denominational cooperative program.

Section 4. Any work receiving financial support must accept such as a loan on terms and conditions agreed upon by them and the board as set forth in this constitution and such information shall be made available to them and fully understood by those receiving the support.

Section 5. Proper security must be granted the board for loans received. First mortgage is desired but 2nd mortgage may be accepted; however no loan shall be granted in excess of the appraised value of the property. Interest shall be paid at the rate of 6% per annum. Monthly payments shall be paid at the rate of \$10.00 per \$1000.00 loaned.

Section 6. Missions or churches receiving financial support must be in good standing with an association or quarterly meeting affiliated with the state or national association and must have a pastor who is in good standing with the Free Will Baptists denomination.

Section 7. An agreement must be understood between the borrower and the board that in the event financial obligations cannot be met and rights to the property must be relinquished that said rights shall be turned over to the mission board and the decision of the board in regards to the property shall be final.

Section 8. Contracts shall be considered delinquent when 3 successive payments have not been met. It shall be determined by the board if contracts may be held valid and open for a longer period of time.

Section 9. The board shall have the right by majority vote to purchase property in desirable locations when there is good potential for organizing a Free Will Baptist Church. This action shall of necessity be subject to the availability of funds. In such matters full title must be acquired and no investment shall exceed the appraised value of property. Organizational work under such conditions shall be under complete supervision of the mission board.

Section 10. Nominal grants by the board to worthwhile churches or missions may be made when it is in the interest of the denominational cause in which benefits are certain. Grants of this nature shall be subject to money being immediately available and shall not exceed \$1000.00 without joint approval of the mission board and the state executive committee or association.

BY-LAWS

Article 1. DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

Officers of the board shall hold office according to the terms set forth in the constitution and shall carry out those duties peculiar to their respective offices. The secretary-treasurer shall maintain a permanent record of the boards activities and financial transactions. All records and property mortgages and titles shall be surrendered to the succeeding secretary-treasurer.

Article 2. VOTING AND QUORUM:

A majority membership shall constitute a quorum and be duly authorized to transact business. All items of business must receive a majority vote of board members before it is considered final. All members not present in meetings shall be notified of decisions made by the board.

Article 3. DUTIES OF MEMBERS :

All members shall endeavor to support mission work through co-operative efforts of the board. Any member that fails to cooperate with the board for a period of one year may, upon recommendation of the board, be replaced by the state association.

Article 4. AMENDMENTS:

This constitution and by-laws may be amended by a majority vote of the board members and final approval of the state association.



BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION

We your Superannuation Board wish to submit for your information the following recommendations. That Rev. Jesse Allen Pettis be placed on our superannuation roll as one to receive benefits.

We also recommend that Rev. G. V. Eads be placed on our superannuation roll if the needed information be supplied to our state clerk for the records.

We recommend that all our superannuation recipients be raised to \$25 per months.

Respectively submitted,

G. W. Cloud

Wm. Compton

S. L. Adams

Coy Owens

CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

No. report from the Children's Home was received at the State Association.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We, your Board of Christian Education, make the following report:

Due to the inactivity of this board in recent years, and due to a seeming lack of need for it, we recommend therefore, that the word "education" be deleted from Article III Section 2 of the Constitution. Or that the association or Executive Committee more properly define our responsibilities.

Respectively submitted,

Milton Gann

Wendell Walley

NORTH FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST YOUTH CAMP CAMP BETHLEHEM

We are truly thankful to the Lord for the fine Youth Camp Session which we had this year. We wish to report to the State Association our annual report from North Florida.

There were 135 students who registered for camp, including workers we had a total of 160 people present for camp. The students conducted themselves in the finest of Christian fashion. The teachers, cooks, sponsors and workers performed their duties in a most efficient way. This made for one of the smoothest running Camps we have had in some time.

There were several decisions for Christ, both first time and re-dedications. The spiritual atmosphere was beyond our hopes. Young

people were stirred for God as they heard our Evangelist, Rev. Ken Riggs, present God's truth for Teenagers in this Twentieth Century. Upon Brother Ed Cook leaving the State, the Youth Camp Board met and unanimously agreed to ask Brother Wendell Walley to be the Youth Camp Director. This meeting took place during the Annual Camp Meeting in North Florida.

FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME:

Balance forwarded from 1967	\$ 441.76
Camper's Fees & Concessions	1,751.19
TOTAL RECEIVED:	\$2,192.95

PAID OUT:

Cooks	\$ 225.00
Teachers & Director	293.00
Evangelist	125.00
Printing	13.50
C.T.S. Literature	100.52
Insurance	54.40
Phone Calls	2.81
Sports Equipment	11.61
Hand Craft	10.48
Change for Snack Shop	25.00
Food and Supplies	489.36
Candy	108.30
Miscellaneous	8.15
Cold Drinks for resale	34.42

(Coke still hasn't billed us)

will have to be added to this report...

TOTAL PAID OUT:	\$1,521.55
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BALANCE IN TREASURY:	\$ 697.70
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August 7, 1968

Coca-Cola Bottling Co. 10/7/68	81.00
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	\$ 616.70

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward Cook
Camp Director

CAMP ALAFIA YOUTH CAMP

1967

In 1967, in two sessions, the youth camp had only 185 teens and pre-teens. In having two weeks our expenditures came to \$4,127.17. Because of the small turnout in '67, camp session was returned to one week. In that one week we increased our attendance by 47 students (a total of 232 students) and reduced our expenditures by approximately \$540.00.

1968

YOUTH CAMP REPORT

September 27, 1968

INCOME

Central Florida Quarterly Meeting	\$ 37.09
Central Florida Quarterly Meeting Offering	25.00
Kissimmee Free Will Baptist Church	100.00
Auburndale Free Will Baptist Church	50.00
Central Florida Ministers & Deacons Conference	75.00
Central Florida Sunday School Convention	25.00
Tampa Free Will Baptist Church	55.00
Mid East Coast Association	25.00
Rev. W. T. Jones	5.00
Mid East Coast Ministers & Deacons Conference	25.00
Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church, Highland City	25.00
Eau Gallie Free Will Baptist Church	25.00
First Free Will Baptist Winter Haven, Florida	50.00
Lake Wales Church	15.00
Cocoa Free Will Baptist Church	50.00
Bethany Free Will Baptist Church, Highland City	25.00
Gainesville Free Will Baptist Church	25.00
First Free Will Baptist Church, Miami	50.00
North East Association	50.00
Florida State Association	300.00
1¢ found in last year's records	.01
TOTAL INCOME FROM CHURCHES AND GIFTS	\$1,037.10
RECEIVED FROM Campers & Refreshment Stand	3,107.65
TOTAL INCOME	\$4,144.75

EXPENDITURES

Camp Rental Fee	\$ 980.00
Teachers, Workers, Cooks, Traveling Expense, Etc.	867.88
Groceries	982.76
Refreshment Stand Supplies – For Re-sale	334.37
Campers Insurance	129.00
Literature & Printing	95.15
Postage	17.55
Office Supplies	6.86
First Aid Supplies	28.49
Change to make change at Camp, which was Re-Deposited	100.00
Recreational Equipment	<u>46.73</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,588.84

Total Income	\$4,144.75
Total Expenditures	<u>3,588.84</u>
Bank Balance as of Sept. 27, 1968	\$ 685.91

1969

The Board has received the consent of Rev. Harvey Henderson to direct the 1969 session to convene the last week of June or the last of July (to be confirmed in the "Coordinator").

The camp facilities next year will house an additional 100 campers and have additional playground space, we have been told by the directors of Camp Alafia.

Praise God for His blessings this year and we're looking forward to a good camp next year.

Youth Camp Board

REPORT OF THE FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY

REPORT OF THE PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY OF THE FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS TO THE 24TH ANNUAL SESSION CONVENING IN WINTER HAVEN AND AUBURN! DALE CHURCHES.

The blessings of God has been upon our state during the past year. It has been a great joy to share these blessings through the promotional Department.

We can be assured that there is an ever-growing interest in our State and National work. Pastors and churches are better informed,

thus, responding and participating more than ever before. There are still some churches that have not responded during the past year, others have given only a token response, therefore we must seek to enlist their support in this worldwide ministry.

This is the second report that I, as promotional secretary, have been privileged to make to the State Association. I believe that most of our people have evaluated our State office as to cost and effect. Perhaps in 1966 when we decided to open the State Office and hire a promotional secretary we did not know just what was involved, however, after almost two years of operation we know something of what this office offers, and the cost of maintaining this work.

Since August I have given my full time to the Promotional Office. I resigned my pastorate in Ocala, that I might have more time available for Revivals, pulpit supply and promotional work in general.

The Cooperative plan of support has enjoyed another year of increase. You will note this in the State Treasurer's Report.

AREAS OF SERVICE:

THE CO-ORDINATOR

I have edited and published 12 issues of the CO-ORDINATOR during the past year. Our subscription list now is 355.

MEETINGS ATTENDED:

Churches visited (53)

National Association

State Association (Eau Gallie 1967)

Local Associations and Quarterly Meetings (13)

Promotional Secretaries Meeting (Nashville, Tennessee)

I have helped in planning an itinerate for Free Will Baptist Bible College, and traveled with Bro. Jack Paramore in this endeavor.

Youth Camps and Camp Meetings (2)

MILES TRAVELED 20,854 (Reported)

Presently I am engaged in compiling a new list of pastors and clerks for the use in our office and National office. I am also helping the Edgewood Park Church, Leesburg, in a time of crisis.

I have visited 2 churches this year that are interested in affiliating with our State Association.

APPRECIATION:

It has been a joy to serve you this year as Promotional Secretary. I sincerely hope that I have made some contribution to the progress of our State work. I wish to thank you for your prayers, your support and your kindnesses to me.

URGENCY:

Florida is a tremendous field which God has given us. What will we do? May God help us to arise to this task while we have the opportunity.

It would be impossible to report all the activities of our office, but, to say the least, it has been a fruitful and eventful year.

W. A. Hansley

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

The Executive Board met three times during the 1967-68 Associational Year.

Feb. 23, 1968. The Executive Board met at the Ocala Free Will Baptist Church. The Board ask the Ocala church to assume the housing allowance for Rev. Hansley in as much as he was their pastor.

MSC to adjourn. Dismissed with prayer.

March 16, 1968. The Executive Board met at the Chipley church. Those present were: Rev. Elro Driggers, Rev. W. A. Hansley, Bro. Ernest Owen, Rev. Millard Sasser, Rev. Howard Messer.

The meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Sasser. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the financial situation of the state association in reference to the promotional office.

Bro. Ernest Owen gave a report of the financial condition. Rev. Hansley reported on his activities for the past three months.

MSC to keep the Promotional Secretary's traveling expense at a maximum of \$100 per month.

MSC to recommend that each association hold a pastor's conference and discuss the financial aspect of the Promotional Secretary's account.

MSC that the Promotional Secretary travel with Rev. Jack Paramore in a campaign he is to carry out for the Bible College in Florida.

MSC that the Promotional Secretary attend the Promotional Secretary's conference in Nashville, Tennessee on March 27, 1968.

MSC to adjourn. Dismissed with prayer.

October 30, 1968. The Executive Board met at Winter Haven just prior to the first meeting of the 1968 State Association. At this meeting the board discussed the State Association and recommendations were offered by the board to be presented to the Body. These recommendations were given to the proper boards and committees to be presented to the association.

Respectively submitted,

Millard Sasser, State Clerk

YOUTH BOARD REPORT

The Youth Board has not met as a Board the entire year. One reason being that the members are located from one end of the State to the other and since there is no money for this Board we were unable to meet.

I as Chairman of this Board traveled into North Florida to a Youth Conference last December 27. I have also been to (2) Youth meetings in Central Florida, and (3) in the Mid-East Coast Conference. I have met with and talked with all of the Board members during the past year on a individual basis. Our discussions have been pertaining to those of this Youth Board.

The State Youth Rally was held at Panama City, Florida last June '68. The following Association was the only one present: West Florida. The following persons were declared winners by non-contenders; Adventures Sword Drill: Kathy Jo Amerson; Heralds for Christ: Cynthia Morgan, Jackie Downer, Martha Owen, Karen Coleman, Crusaders Bible Bowl: Ann Cofield, Brenda Southern; Declamations: (Adventures) Pam Amerson, (Crusaders) Ann Cofield. We congratulate these young people for their faithfulness and devotion to Christ. I have Trophies and Pins for these people who won in their respective. They have been sent to their Association.

At the State Youth Rally there was only one member present to handle the Rally and I pray this will not happen again.

We therefore make the following recommendations:

(1) That a special day be set aside to have this Youth Rally each year. Preferably in May so as not to conflict with other meetings.

(2) That the meetings be held each year in a centrally located place due to long distance travel thru the State.

(3) That the Youth Board be composed of (4) members from close locations in the area and the fifth member be that of the Promotional Secretary.

(4) That some sort of finances be made available to finance the Youth work thru-out the State and to the National Association.

(5) That the resignation of Ray Wells be accepted by the body.

Respectfully submitted,
Ray Wells, Chairman

CAMP MEETING REPORT

Camp Meeting met July 29–August 2. There were approximately 90 people who spent the entire week as campers. There were more than this which attended the morning and night services. I was told that at 2 meals during the camp 135 people ate dinner or supper there. Rev. Milton and Rev. Melvin Worthington were the evangelists. Our missionary speaker was Dave Cochranne from the Institute of Gold in Mexico. Each morning we studied the book of 2 Peter, taught by Rev. Melvin Worthington and mission taught by Rev. Dave Cochranee. One of the brothers (Milton and Melvin) preached each morning and the other at night. The afternoons were free for recreation and fellowship. The entire week was one of fellowship, learning, spiritually uplifting and just fun being together with other christians. For me, I would say Camp Meeting was very successful this year.

On Friday, August 2, we held our business meeting at which time the following officers were elected for the next Camp Meeting:

President	Wallace Peterson
Vice President	Robert Owen
Secretary-Treasurer	Katie D. Owen

Also at this meeting it was decided to ask each church to send a \$25 donation to Camp Meeting, to cover the cost of food, speakers and other needs of the camp.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF CAMP MEETING

Total money received (fees, donations, offering)	\$640.04
Total money paid	<u>610.20</u>
Balance	\$ 29.84

Money paid to:

Cooks	\$155.00
Speakers & Missionary	225.00
Local supplies	111.10
Candy	26.10
Sanders Food Co.	48.00
Mutual Security Ins. Co.	<u>45.00</u>
Total paid out	\$610.20

Respectfully submitted,

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

We, your Planning Board, submit the following budget and recommendations as our report:

1. We recommend that the budget for the co operative plan of support be set at \$20,000.00 1968-69.
2. We recommend that the treasurer be paid \$25.00 per month from the general fund.
3. \$20,000.00 budget for 1968-69.

30% to the National Association

25% to National cooperative plan or	\$1500.00
25% to National Home Missions or	1500.00
25% to National Foreign Missions or	1500.00
25% to Bible College, Nashville or	1500.00

70% go to State Work

65% to Promotional department or	\$9,100.00
15% to Mission Board or	2,100.00
5% to Superannuation or	700.00
5% to General Fund or	700.00
2% to Youth Board or	280.00
8% to Children's Home, Eldridge, Ala.	120.00

Respectfully submitted,
Chester L. Cook
Walter F. Rice
G. W. Cloud

DELEGATES TO NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Delegates

Mrs. Margaret Cooper, 614 West Bay St., Perry, Florida

Mr. Ernest Owen, Railroad Ave., Chipley, Florida

Mrs. Ernest Owen, Railroad Ave., Chipley, Florida

Mr. G. W. Cloud, 902 Ave. B, Melbourne, Florida

Mrs. Lula Christian, 41 Derby St., Cocoa, Florida

Mr. Robert T. Howell, Palm Tr. Ct. Lot 11, Niceville, Florida

Mr. S. L. Adams, Route 1, Box 153, Bartow, Florida

Alternate Delegate

Mrs. Imogene Knight, 37 Derby St., Cocoa, Florida



ASSOCIATIONAL STATISTICS

ASSOCIATIONS	NO. QUARTERLY MEETINGS	NO. OF CHURCHES	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP	NO. PARSONAGES	NO. ORDAINED MINISTERS	NO. LICENSED MINISTERS	NO. ORDAINED DEACONS	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT	AVERAGE SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE	CTS ENROLLMENT	AVERAGE CTS ATTENDANCE	WOMANS AUXILIARIES	AVERAGE WOM. AUX. ATTENDANCE	MASTER'S MEN	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE M.M.	MID-WEEK SERVICE ATTENDANCE	MONEY SPENT IN LOCAL CHURCHES	COOPERATIVE PLAN	MISSIONS	EDUCATION
LIBERTY	1	13	1091	7	21	1	38	731	530	357	277	62	47	58	34	294	\$ 61,992.22	\$ 3,247.19	\$ 3,900.16	\$2,589.00
NORTHEAST	1	*	156	*	*	*	*	124	134	49	43	*	*	*	*	*	2,579.32	265.96	38.25	0000000
NORTH	1	8	579	0	13	1	19	422	136	177	133	27	*	*	*	*	25,767.73	1,555.20	2,297.50	803.79
SALEM	1	17	1150	3	12	3	42	615	425	228	136	66	41	12	8	137	5,700.82	1,877.61	1,366.01	838.32
VICTORY	3	27	2000	12	46	6	63	2064	1629	590	441	201	120	63	43	654	148,357.67	6,275.13	2,504.79	1,988.63
WEST FLORIDA	1	8	600	1	14	1	14	466	394	277	230	55	37	5	4	178	49,126.75	2,759.27	3,357.40	648.00
TOTAL	8	73	5576	23	106	12	176	4422	2248	1678	1260	411	245	138	89	1263	\$293,524.51	\$15,980.36	\$13,767.07	\$6,867.74

* NO REPORTS

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>(ADJUSTED) BALANCE</u> <u>OCTOBER 17, 1967</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>
National Coop. Plan	\$	\$
Foreign Missions		1797.18
Home Missions		913.92
Children's Home (Ala.)		883.33
Bible College		2051.84
Superannuation	1622.95	62.50
Church Extension Fund		
"Coordinator"	898.53 (IN RED)	257.00
State Promotional Fund	2196.55 (IN RED)	1491.31
State Mission Project 30		368.00
State Coop Plan		17,479.63
General Fund	715.25	616.61
Education	20.00	
Youth Camp	45.00	425.00
Earmarked for Missionaries:		
Craft		245.57
Billows		95.00
Coscia		90.00
Ella R. Jones		45.00
Tyson		107.82
Payne		427.00
Fulcher		18.00
Combs		35.00
Aldridge		90.00
Wilkinson		53.86
McLain		25.00
Willey, Sr.		129.96
Willey, Jr.		19.53
Richards		90.00
Powell		809.31
Lee		108.00
Hersey		30.00
Garcia		854.17
Ellison		202.00
Deeds		280.00
Atkinson		10.00
Sparks		5.00
Deficient Accounts		128.41
African Literature		15.85
Operational Fund		163.31
State Mission Board	7949.86	
National Superannuation		35.00
TOTALS	7257.98	30,459.11

FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

OCTOBER 17, 1967 - OCTOBER 17, 1968

Ernest Owen, Treasurer

<u>(FROM COOP. DIV.)</u>	<u>DISBURSED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u> <u>OCTOBER 17, 1968</u>
\$ 6021.57	\$ 6021.57	\$
860.27	2657.45	
860.24	1774.16	
1720.44	2603.77	
860.21	2912.05	
430.11	455.00	1660.56
1720.46	1720.46	
	162.02	803.55 (IN RED)
4301.20	7265.93	536.00 (IN RED)
	368.00	
	275.00	
430.13	1092.93	669.06
		20.00
	350.00	120.00
	245.57	
	95.00	
	90.00	
	45.00	
	107.82	
	427.00	
	18.00	
	35.00	
	90.00	
	53.86	
	25.00	
	129.96	
	19.53	
	90.00	
	809.31	
	108.00	
	30.00	
	866.71	12.54 (IN RED)
	202.00	
	280.00	
	10.00	
	5.00	
	128.41	
	15.85	
	163.31	
	4000.00	3949.86
	35.00	
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	35,783.67	1933.42
		Balance in bank 10/17/68

EXPLANATION

Note:

Balance 10/17/67 is adjusted balance
after decision of State Mission Board.

1967 Project 30 Fund \$2940.56

1967 Church Ext. Fund +6651.65

9592.21

Ocala Fund -1642.51

\$7949.86

Of this amount Mission Board
received \$4000.00 leaving
\$3949.86 as a loan to State Treasury
to off set Deficit accounts.

SUPERANNUATION:

Receipts

\$492.61

Disbursed

\$235.00 Rev. Joe Turner

220.00 Rev. Bennet Cook

\$455.00

"COORDINATOR"

Receipts

\$257.00

Disbursed

\$ 30.00 Mailing Permit

132.02 Supplies

\$162.02 Total

GENERAL FUND

Receipts

\$1046.74

Disbursed

\$ 35.00 Printing Programs, Reports, etc.

75.00 Fee, Mod., Clerk, Treas.

32.97 Post. & Tele.

132.00 Travel Exp.

15.60 CTS Trophies

30.00 CTS Contestants fees

126.80 Minutes

60.00 Nat. Assoc'n Fee

251.00 on Nat. Assoc'n Exp. 1967

300.00 Rent on Camp

10.00 Legal Fee, Live Oak Church

4.95 Checks

19.61 to Cash Check

\$1092.93 TOTAL

STATE PROMOTIONAL FUND

Received

\$1491.31 Offerings & Revivals

4301.20 From Coop Div.

\$5792.51

Disbursed

\$5200.03 Salary, Rev. Hansley

2065.90 Travel Exp. & Housing
Allow.

STATE COOP. PLAN

Receipts

\$17,479.63

Disbursed

\$275.00 For Secretarial Help, Ernest Owen

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, Treasurer, and Promotional Secretary.

Section 2. Boards: The standing boards of this association shall be Planning, Missions, Education, Superannuation, and Youth Board.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer, Promotional Secretary, and one elected member from each affiliated association. A majority members shall constitute a quorum. Other committees shall 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 for an association are based on \$2.00 per member church. Fees for churches are \$4.00 per delegate. Fees for ministers and deacons are \$2.00 each.

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 submit 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.

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