MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-FIRST SESSION FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH TAMPA, FLORIDA

THEME: "Great Doctrines of The Bible"

NEXT SESSION

MRVIN CHAPEL

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

MARIANNA, FLORIDA

NOVEMBER 3, 4, 5, 1976



Florida State Association

OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

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OF THE

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DEACONS REGISTERED

Willis Dawson, Herbert L. Padgett, Robert H. Allen, Randy Brooks, G. W. Cloud, Walter Rice, Bill Burgess, George Perkins, Doyle R. Miller, Cecil Jones, J. B. Webb, S. L. Adams, Jackie Palmer and C. W. Lynn.

CHURCH DELEGATES

Pearl Honeycutt-Davie F.W.B
Mary E. Pettis-Wright F.W.B.
Louise Collins—Emmanuel F.W.B.
Ballard Easton—1st Tampa
Margaret Waters-1st Haines City
M. L. Jones-Quincy

Geraldine Gwinn—1st Melbourne Archie Roe—Bethany F.W.B. Ruth Russell—1st Dearfield Beach Catherine Gay—1st Tampa Katie Collins—Vero Beach

ASSOCIATION DELEGATES

Victory

Vida Mae Rice, H. H. Honeycutt, Robert L. Hager, Robin Thurston, Mary Alford, Patsy Helton, Ruth Williamson, Mamie Page, Louise Owen, Mrs. Robert Crawford.

Indian River

Doyle Griffin, Nancy Griffin, Helen Allen, Nesta Savage.

North Florida

Edra Saverance, W. J. Amerson, Ruby Amerson, Martha Pettis

Salem

Mary Nell Whitehead.

Liberty

Etha Mae Owen, Norma Combs, Eddie Peterson, Jean Owens.

PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, October 29, 1975

The meeting of the 31st session began with Bro. Freddie Lockwood leading the congregation in singing "Victory In Jesus." Rev. Robert Crawford led in prayer.

The meeting was called to order by the clerk, Rev. Danny Williamson. The moderator (Rev. Milton Gann) was introduced by the clerk. The welcome was given by the host pastor, Rev. Roger Duncan. Rev. Harvey Henderson responded to the welcome.

The committee on committees was appointed. Rev. William Compton, Bro. Bob Allen, Rev. Reedy Saverance.

The Credential Committee was appointed. They were Bro. Darrel Gwinn, Bro. Buford Pierce.

The congregation sang, "I Feel Like Traveling On," and "Oh How I Love Jesus."

The Duncan family blessed our hearts by singing a number of special songs.

The moderator introduced the speaker, Rev. Graeme Savage, who spoke on the "Doctrine of Man and Salvation," using II Peter 1:1-8.

An invitation was given and many responded for prayer.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Darrel Gwinn.

Thursday, October 30, 1975 — 9:30 a. m.

We began our meeting by singing, "There Is Power In The Blood." Prayer by Rev. J. D. O'Donald. Then we sang, "At The Cross."

The moderator brought the moderators message using Psalms 133:1. He spoke on "Unity."

MSC to receive the report from the National Foreign Mission Department.

MSC to receive report of National Executive Department.

MSC to receive report of West Palm Beach Mission Project.

MSC to receive report of Committee on Committees.

After a short rest period we resumed by singing "Leaning on Jesus," led

by Bro. Freddie Lockwood. Prayer by Rev. Dennis Owen, and then we sang "At Calvary."

We had a special song, "Take My Life," by Sis. Savage.

Rev. W. C. Combs brought the morning message. It was entitled "Doctrine of the Second Coming," using I Cor. 15:50-58.

Dismissed for lunch in prayer by Rev. Wayne Hicks.

Thursday, October 30 — 1:15 p. m.

The afternoon session began by singing "Camping In Cannan." Prayer by Rev. Robert Owen. We had another song, "Just Over In The Gloryland."

Devotion by Rev. Elro Driggers using Romans 12:1-2.

MSC to receive the Christian Education Youth Board report.

MSC to receive a patrial report of the Nominating Committee.

MSC to receive the Bible College report.

MSC to receive the Home Mission report and adopt it item by item. Item No. 1 MSC, Item No. 2 MSC.

MSC to receive the Woman's Auxiliary report.

The congregation sang, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart."

MSC to receive the report of the Children's Home.

MSC to receive report of the State Treasury.

MSC to receive the Historical Board's Report.

MSC to stand each year in a moment of silent prayer as a memorial to those who have past on.

MSC to remove from the table the motion dealing with the changing of the meeting time of the State Association. Dismissed with prayer.

Thursday, October 30, 1975 — 7:00 p. m.

Our service began with Bro. Freddie leading the congregation in singing, "Where Could I Go."

A time for testimonies was given.

The regular worship service began at 7:30 by singing, "When We All Get To Heaven." Prayer by Bro. John Gilliland. Then we sang, "Revive Us Again." An offering was received.

The Duncan Family sang, "A Part of the Family of God," and "Something I Can Feel."

Rev. Damon Dodd brought the evening message on "The Doctrine of The Holy Spirit," using St. John 13:16. An invitation was given. Prayer by Bro. Gann.

Friday, October 31 — 9:30 a. m.

The service began by singing "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder," led by Bro. Freddie. Prayer by Rev. J. D. O'Donald. We had another song entitled "Stand Up for Jesus." Rev. Carlton Lambert sang a special song at this time.

Devotion by Rev. Buford Pierce, using II Tim. 3:14-16.

MSC to receive report of Resolution Committee.

MSC to adopt the Item of Resolution Committee. Tabled until 11:30.

MSC to receive report of Layman's Board.

MSC to receive report of Finance Committee.

MSC to receive report of Planning Board.

MSC to make Bro. George Cloud a honorary member of the State Mission Board.

Bro. Freddie led the congregation in "Home of the Soul."

MSC to receive Appreciation Committee report.

MSC to amend the original motion concerning the time change and include Tuesday.

MSC to amend the motion by dropping Tuesday and meeting Wednesday, Thursday and Friday after the second Sunday in June. The motion as amended was defeated.

MSC to invite the Woman's Auxiliary to meet with the State Association.

MSC to take from the table the motion dealing with the Youth Camp Money (4,000.00). The Item was passed.

MSC to receive Placement Committee report.

Item—To meet at Solage in Orlando for the meeting. This item was defeated

MSC to receive Nominating Committees report and adopt Item by Item.

MSC to authorize Sis. Etha Mae Owen to sign check.

MSC for the Executive Board to duplicate the State Minutes.

MSC to receive the Executive Committee's report.

MSC to receive the complete Credentials Committee's report.

Delegates were appointed for the National Association: G. W. Cloud, 204 West Avenue B., Melbourne, Fla.; Linda Gilliland, 8530 Sterling Road, Hollywood, Fla. 33024; Donna Williford, Rt. 1, Box 1, Marianna, Fla. 32446; Louise Owen, 1415 26th St. N.W., Winter Haven, Fla. 33880; S. L. Adams, Rt. 1, Box 734, Bartow, Fla. 33830.

Alternate Delegates: Robert L. Hager, 823 38th St., West Palm Beach, Fla. 33407; Nesta Savage, P. O. Box 72, Scottsmore, Fla. 32775

MSC to adjourn at 12:37. Prayer of dismissial by Rev. Harvey Henderson.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Nominating Committee W. C. Combs, Hubert Padgett, John Gilliland					
Finance Committee Ernest Owen, Harvey Henderson, Dr. Savage					
Resolution Committee					
Appreciation Committee Mrs. Darrell Gwinn, Mrs. W. C. Combs,					
Mrs. W. J. Amerson					
Placement Committee Otis Whitehead, Calvin Bevens, Roger Duncan					

Submitted by

William Compton
Bob Allen
Reedy Saverance

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We, the Appreciation Committee, wish to express our sincere appreciation to the First Free Will Baptist Church of Tampa and the churches of the Victory Association for the fine and efficient way in which they have hosted this session of the Florida State Association.

We recommend that this body respond by giving them a standing vote of appreciation.

Submitted by

Geraldine Gwinn Norma Combs Ruby Amerson

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Be it resolved, The Victory Association, in its yearly meeting, October 11, 1975, at Deerfield Beach Church, voted to request the Florida State Association for the \$4,000.00 due it from the old Youth Camp sale. The money to be used to purchase land for a youth camp.

Submitted by

R. B. Crawford G. W. Cloud Gene Helton

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Fees and offerings received:

West Florida\$	24.00
Salem	48.00
Victory	78.00
Liberty	36.00
Indian River	15.00
North Florida	27.00
9 church delegates	45.00
1 gift (Bro. Jameson)	10.00
TOTAL\$	283.00
Wednesday p. m	106.73
Total to be accounted for\$	389.73

Submitted by

Ernest Owen Gareme Savage Harvey Henderson

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

We, the Placement Committee, recommend that we meet next year for our State Association at the Sologe International Hotel in Orlando, Florida. If this is not passed, we recommend that we accept the invitation to meet with the Salem Association in West Florida.

Submitted by

Odis Whitehead Roger Duncan Calvin Bevens

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, the Credentials Committee, submit the following report:

Associations	Churches 1974	Churches 1975
West Florida	8	8
Salem		14
West Florida Liberty		12
North Florida		9
Victory		26
Indian River	5	5
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TOTAL	73	74
Associations Fees	1974	1975
West Florida	24.00	24.00
Salem	48.00	48.00
West Florida Liberty	36.00	36.00
North Florida	27.00	27.00
Victory	27.00	78.00
Indian River	15.00	15.00
TOTAL	\$177.00	\$228.00
	1974	1975
Ministers registered	33	. 39
Deacons registered		13
Visitors registered		143
Associations delegates		30
Church delegates		11
Associations represented	6	6
Number of parsonages	33	31
Number of ordained ministers	92	103
Number of licensed ministers	17	26
Number of ordained deacons	108	191
Sunday School enrollment	3869	4066
Sunday School average attendance	3258	3414
C.T.S. enrollment	1327	1489
C.T.S. average attendance	1116	1193
Womens Auxiliary enrollment	245	423
Womens Auxiliary average attendance		349
Masters Men enrollment	109	80
Masters Men average attendance		68
Mid-week meeting attendance	_	1257
TOTAL ATTENDANCE		266

Submitted by

Buford Pierce Darrell Gwinn J. W. Amerson

PLANNING BOARD

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

Part 1

- 1. We recommend that the budget for the co-operative plan of support be set at \$30,000 for 1975-76.
- 2. We recommend that the treasurer be paid \$15.00 per month from the general fund.
- 3. We recommend that the moderator and clerk's fees be \$50.00 each.

Part 2

We recommend the co-operative monies be disbursed in the following manner:

- 1. 45% to the National Association Co-operative plan.
- 2. 55% to the state to be disbursed as follows:
 - 50% to the Home Mission Board.
 - 17% to the Promotion Department.
 - 16% to the Christian Education and Youth Board.
 - 12% to the General Fund.
 - 5% to the Childrens Home.

Submitted by

Gene Helton Wayne Hicks

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

PLANNING BOARD—Hubert Padgett to replace Gene Helton (78); Robert Owen to replace Claude Davis (80).

MISSION BOARD—Buford Pierce to replace George Cloud (80); John Gilliland to replace Jim Puckett (76); Dr. Gareme Savage to replace Charles Hollingshead.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND YOUTH BOARD—Ruby Amerson to replace herself (80); Gene Helton to replace Jim Fountain.

MODERATOR-Ed Cook.

ASSISTANT MODERATOR—Robert Crawford.

CLERK—Danny Williamson.

ASSISTANT CLERK-Darrell Gwinn.

TREASURER—Ernest Owen. Also Etha Mae Owen be authorized to sign Checks.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE-Remain as is.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT — May 10, 1975

The Florida State Executive Board at the Mt. Carmel Church of Perry, Florida.

Those present at the meeting: Milton Gann, Ed Cook, Harvey Henderson,

William Compton, W. C. Combs, Ernest Owens, Bob Allen, Randy Brooks, Danny Williamson.

Ed Cook gave report on West Palm Beach project.

State meeting program planned.

THEME—Great Doctrines of The Bible.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MESSAGE— "The Doctrine of Man and Salvation" by Dr. Gareme Savage.

THURSDAY MORNING MESSAGE—"The Doctrine of The Second Coming" by W. C. Combs.

THURSDAY EVENING MESSAGE—"The Doctrine of The Holy Spirit" by Damon Dodd.

FRIDAY MORNING DEVOTION-Buford Pierce.

MUSIC—Freddie Lockwood.

Rev. Gann, the moderator, appointed Harvey Henderson, Ed Cook and W. C. Combs to compile information on the possibility of changing the state meeting time, and the results to be published in the Co-ordinator.

MSC to give Dr. Savage time on the state program, to report on the Christian Workers Institute, Inc.

Prayer by Rev. Reedy Saverance. Devotion by the moderator, Rev. Milton Gann.

October 29, 1975 — 1:35 p.m.

Those present were: Milton Gann, Danny Williamson, Ernest Owen, William Compton, Reedy Saverance, Harvey Henderson, W. C. Combs, Randy Brooks, Bob Allen.

MSC to make the following recommendation to the state meeting:

- 1. To send the Moderator to the National Promotional Meeting.
- 2. That the Clerk write a letter to all the national departments, notifying them of the state's feeling about sending only one man to give all national reports.
- 3. To continue the Co-ordinator on a monthly bases.

FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTISTS HOME MISSION BOARD, INC.

Treasurer's Report

October 22, 1974 — October 21, 1975

\$ 4,168.39 Balance on Hand 10/22/74

18,981.56 Received and Deposited

10,000.00 Withdrawn from First Federal Savings acct. and deposited

36,155.64 TOTAL

*34,861.99 Disbursed

\$ 1,293.65 Cash in Bank 10/21/75

*DISBURSEMENTS

\$ 9,262.08 Camp Mt. Pleasant—Money owed to the Camp by the Mission Board

8,000.00 Camp Mt. Pleasant-Loan

8,580.00 Rev. Ed Cook-Salary

5,000.00 First Federal—Placed in savings account

2,900.00 First Federal—to repay Share Loan

900.00 Youth Camps

112.41 Taxes on West Palm Beach property

100.00 L. C. Roberts for 4 shares of capital stock purchased 1954

5.00 National HM Department (mistakenly sent to Mission Board)

2.50 Phone calls

\$ 34,861.99 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE

\$10,000.00 7½ & 4-yr. Savings acct.

1,353.74 Interest earned

33.19 Passbook acct. interest

1,293.65 Bank balance

22,652.39 Accounts receivable

\$35,332.97 TOTAL

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

\$ 2,021.02 Grace

1,670.97 Titusville

2,328.69 Gainesville

5,106.56 West Palm Beach

4,564.84 Wright

4,814.61 Camp Mt. Pleasant

2,145.71 Camp Mt. Pleasant

\$22,652.39 TOTAL

TOTALS IN EACH ACCOUNT

\$ 192.62 Church Extension Fund

Rev. Ed Cook Acct.

782.55 Gen. Fund (Co-op)

818.48 WPB Building Fund

\$1,293.65

Money in the \$10,000 savings account is composed of the following amounts: \$2,900.00 WPB Bldg. Fund 7,100.00 Co-op

\$10,000.00

HOME MISSION BOARD REPORT

- 1. We recommend that the state continue the West Palm Beach Project.
- 2. We recommend that the State Home Mission Board invite a representative of the National Home Mission Board to investigate a possible mission project at Daytona Beach, Florida.

FLORIDA STATE YOUTH BOARD—REPORT

The Florida State Youth Board met May 16, 1975, at the Wesconnett Free Will Baptist Church in conjunction with the State Youth Rally. All Board members were present. We went over the program for the competition, and registration and found everything to be in order for the State meeting. There were six districts represented: South Florida, Indian River, Central Florida, North Florida, Liberty District and West Florida. It was agreed that if we had time we would begin the preliminary Bible Bowl and Tic Tac Toe playoffs immediately following the Friday night service, but final decision was to be made at the end of service. (We did not have any playoffs on Friday night.)

We checked the box of extra questions and medals and set up reigstration for the night service. Bro. Donnie Hicks was our guest speaker for the Rally. It was agreed by the board that we would pay his motel expenses and give him \$100.00 love offering. It was also agreed that we would give each winner \$75.00 each to help them with their expenses to the National Youth Conference in Ohio. The board agreed that we would allow Eddie Peterson to change his talent entry from duet to solo since he was not directly responsible for his partner not coming to the State meeting.

Talent part of the competition started on Friday night and the competition was carried on throughout the day on Saturday with the following winners:

MEMORIZATION —

1st Grade—Mike Burgess, South Florida, 1st place; Buffie Holt, West Florida, 2nd place.

2nd Grade-Melissa Smith, West Florida, 1st place; Jeff Sharone, Melbourne, 2nd place.

3rd Grade—Johnny Mathis, Scottsmore, 1st place; Wesley Moreno, West Florida, tied for 2nd place; Debra Bowles, Vero Beach, tied for 2nd place.

SWORD DRILL -

1st Place—Harold Smith, Pensacola. 2nd Place—Ruth Smith, Pensacola. 3rd Place—Gerald Allen, Scottsmore.

BIBLE TIC-TAC-TOE -

First Place—Melbourne Rita Bass Ronnie Bass Second Place—Bartow

Mary Lou Perkins
Barbara Williamson

Steven Bass Jerry Dale

Butch Perkins David Gillman

BIBLE BOWL -

First Place-Miami

Second Place-Shiloh

Lisa Helton Darla Buck

Kathy Amerson Vicki McElhaney Faye Morgan Paula Henderson

TALENT—Adventurer Solo—Donna Kay McDonald, 1st place. Crusader Solo—Eddie Peterson, 1st place.

PIANO SOLOS—Ruthann Esposito (organ) South Florida, 1st place; Tinker Brake (Crusader) Pensacola, 1st place.

DECLAMATIONS—Adventurer, Keli Harvey, Pensacola, 1st place; Herald, Donna Pulaski, Pensacola, 1st place; Crusader, Kathy Curtiss, West Palm Beach, 1st place; Ambassadors, Sandra Wiggins, Pensacola, 1st place.

MUSICAL GROUPS—Shiloh Sextet, Shiloh, 1st place; Kings Heirs, Miami, 2nd place.

CHOIRS-Hollywood Teen Choir, 1st place.

ART—Jeff York, Winter Haven, 1st place.

TRUMPET SOLO-Robin Brooks, Winter Haven, 1st place.

After registration was checked we found to have approximately 350 to register for the Youth Rally and approximately 92 taking part in the competition. The Jacksonville Wesconnett Church is to be commended for their hospitality to all of our people. They worked so hard to make our meeting a success and make everyone feel welcome and comfortable.

Meeting October 29, 1975, Tampa Free Will Baptist Church

Bro. Otis Whitehead and Sis. Ruby Amerson were present. It was agreed that we would eliminate the 2nd place winners in memorization and declamations to participate in State Competition. We will continue to have 1st and 2nd place in Sword Drill. Letters of change in this rule would be sent to each church.

We discussed the possibility of having our Youth Board funds set up our own account. We agreed to discuss this with Executive Committee and the treasurer to see if it would be more convenient for him.

It was agreed that we would send letters to all our churches asking their pastors to discuss with their young people how they felt about changing the Youth Rally and meet at the same time the State Association meets. We felt that their suggestions should be considered.

It was mentioned that Bro. Fountain has left the State and we will need to replace him on the board.

We would like to report following National Winners from the State of Florida:

Johnny Mathis, 1st place in Bible memorization; Mike Burgess, 3rd place in Bible memorization; Robin Brooks, 2nd place in instrumental solo; Tinker

Brake, 2nd place in piano solo; Sandra Wiggins, 1st place in oral communications; Jeff York. 2nd place in art.

Our Bible Bowl team from Miami took 3rd place and Randy Dockens took 1st place in written communications. The Melbourne Youth was 3rd place in the skit.

We agreed to recommend to the National C.T.S. Board that they come up with a more flexible form for judging competition. And agreed if they did not, the Board will set up their own system of judging for State Competition.

We have several invitations for our State Youth Rally, however, it was agreed that we would wait until after the State Meeting to see about making this decision.

SIS. RUBY AMERSON
Secretary and Treasurer

REV. OTIS WHITEHEAD Chairman, Florida State Youth Board

TREASURES REPORT

Total Received:	Disbursed:
South Florida\$ 57.50	Trophies
West Florida 57.50	Medals, Questions, etc 105.25
W. F. Liberty 5.00	Guest Speaker 117.68
Indian River 25.00	Name Tags
Central Florida 20.00	Postage, Telephone 36.77
North Florida 20.00	Board Travel 79.50
Offering at Rally 100.00	Registration, Nat'l 105.00
	To State Winners 1,925.00
Total Received\$285.00	
	Total Spent Out\$2,420.78

CAMP MT. PLEASANT REPORT

The two sessions of Youth Camp at Camp Mt. Pleasant have been very successful.

Rev. Charles Hollingshead directed the first camp with 77 campers, and 18 staff registering. Fourteen were saved and 48 rededications. The camp was was very spiritual, so much that they decided to hold the second session of camp for July 20 thru 25, 1975.

Rev. Dennis Owen directed the second camp session. Forty-four campers and 14 staff registered. Eight were saved and 17 made rededications and one accepted the call to preach.

VICTORY ASSOCIATION YOUTH CAMP REPORT

Camp Vayuka

Camp was held June 22nd thru June 27th at Camp Rotary of Auburndale. There were 134 campers present. We had 15 first time decisions for Christ and 19 rededications.

Our evangelist, Rev. Dale Bishop, appointee missionary to Japan, who

brought a very inspiring message each night and showed slides on the missionary work in Japan.

As director I would like to thank all the workers who helped make this the best camp yet that I have had the privilege of directing. Also, I would like to thank those churches, individuals, conferences, and others, who made our camp possible by giving of their financial support. Without your support we could not have a camp.

Please remember to pray for our camp and please include it in your budget next year.

Thank you again,

In Christ's Service,

DANNY WILLIAMSON

Director

October, 1975

All Free Will Baptists
State of Florida

The Florida State Woman's Auxiliary met in June at the Piney Grove Church in Chipley.

We decided to divide a \$750.00 project between WNAC, Patsy Van Hook, and the Sunny Hill Mission.

Most everyone is familiar with Patsy Van Hook but perhaps you don't know much about Sunny Hills. It is a project begun by the Salem and Liberty Associations to revitalize the Gap Pond Free Will Baptist Church in an effort to evangelize the surrounding area. This 80 year old church building is located in the midst of 35,000 acres of land purchased by the Deltona Corp. which should eventually house approximately 30,000 residents. The Gap Pond Church, pastored by Rev. Dennis Owen, is the only church now located in this area, 20 miles south of Chipley.

A very definite need for support in all three (3) areas can be seen. If you would like to make a donation to be divided between these three (3) projects send your donations to the "STATE PROJECT." If you want all your money to go to one specific fund, earmark it for whichever one you desire and send to your District Treasurer or to Beverly Hartzog, Florida State Treasurer, Rt. 1, Box 114, Chipley, Florida.

Anything would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

MRS. PEGGY HUTTO Florida State President

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

Ernest Owen, Treasurer

	Balance 10/12/74	Receipts	From Coop Plan	Disbur	sed —	Balance 10/10/75
National Coop Pla	ın		11.8	29.03	11,829.03	
Foreign Missions		2574.93	,0		2,574.93	
Home Missions	•	1078.22			1,078.22	
Children's home (Ala.)	1957.11		887.02	2,844.13	
Bible College	2.007	2174.27		001,02	2,174,27	
Sueprannuation	1050.14	443.00			300.00	1193.14
State Miss. &					000.00	2200.22
Church Ext.		900,83	8	,870.28	9,771.11	
State Coop Plan		000,00	29,567.58	,0,0,0	0,112122	
General Fund	* 819.74	247.00	•	,659.08	1,566.26	2159.56
Youth Board	1459.47	330.55		.774.04	2,420.78	1143.28
State Promotional		42234		,	_,	
Fund	1568.13	85.00	3	,548.13	2,821.12	2380.14
Youth Camp			_	,	_,=====	
(Mt. Pleasant)	4283.71	528.50			4,812,21	
Camp Meeting Fu	_					300.00
Earmarked for M	issionaries:		,			
Craft		344.36	• •	:	344.36	
Cosia		124.00		1	24.00	
Palmer		275.00			275.00	
Payne		1099.18		10	099.18	
Combs		60.00			60.00	
Aldridge		140.00	•	1	140.00	
Willey, Jr.		669.38			669.38	
Richards	ı	97.47			97.47	
Lee		60.00			60.00	
Cousineau		10.00			10.00	
Ellison		112.90		1	112.90	
Eagleton		55.00			55.00	
Hanna	•	43.75		·	43.75	
Cronk		50.00			50.00	
Aycock		103.75		•	103.75	
Cook		380.31		3	380.31	
West Palm Beach	Land	285.51		:	285.51	
Poole		135.76		1	35.76	
Sturgill		56.62			56.62	
Mabel Willey		238,00		2	238.00	
Gap Pond, Sunny	Hills	404.97		. 4	404.97	
Sparks		55.00			55.00	
Banks		150.00		•	150.00	
Van Hook		145.00		1	145.00	
Call-A-Thon		5.00			5.00	
Project 30		6.00			6.00	
Hughes		100.00		•	100.00	
Waid		26.00	_		26.00	
D. Owen		5.00			5.00	

Haas		5.00		5.00	
L. Miley		162.00		162.00	
Dr. Miley		25.00		25.00	
Merk		145.00		145,00	
Wilkinson	·	43.75		43.75	
Crowson		43.75	ì	43.75	
Bishop		65.00		65.00	
Bryan	•	122,00		122.00	• .
Barron		30.00		30.00	
Dickson		20.00		20.00	
Opp. Partnership		205.00		205.00	·
Bible College Alur	nni	60.00		60.00	•
Mayhew		26.00		26.00	
Franks		10.00		10.00	•
TOTALS	\$9481.18	16,519.87	29,567.58	48,392.52	7176.12
In Bank of Washi	ngton Count	y			\$2571.71
In First Federal S	avings & Lo	oan Pass Book	Account		4604.41
BALANCE in banks and on book				\$7176.12	
Accumulated Inter	est, First F	'ederal 9/30/74	-9/30/75	•	349.60
TOTAL all accounts and interest thru 9/30/75				\$7525.72	

EXPLANATIONS

GENERAL FUND (Disbursed)		STATE PROMOTIONAL FUND
Clerk Moderator Reports Fee to National Association Minutes Travel Exp. (Exec. Board) Travel Exp. (Children's Home) Speaker Post., Supplies, Telephone Miami Church Treasurer Travel Exp. to Prom. Meeting (Moderator) SUPERANNUATION	30.00 30.00 15.65 55.00 395.00 200.70 180.00 24.96 200.00 180.00 142.50	\$1300.00 Mr. and Mrs. W. Hartzog (for publishing 'Coordinator") 1521.12 Postage, Supplies & Printing Coordinator \$2821.12 TOTAL YOUTH BOARD (Disbursed) \$ 95.00 National Registration Fee 1925.00 To State winners 116.03 Postage, Telephone calls & trophies 105.25 Medals 79.50 Travel Exp. Youth Board 100.00 Guest speaker
<u>.</u>	300.00	\$2420.78 TOTAL

^{*} Adjusted Balance per 1974 Minutes

REPORT FROM WEST PALM BEACH MISSION PROJECT

TO

FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION FREE WILL BAPTIST

OCTOBER, 1975

Dear Friends:

It is with pleasure we send this report to the State Association as it meets with the Tampa church. I trust this report will be as much of a blessing to you as it is to us. Nancy, the family and myself have just completed our fifth year on this project, and it does not seem to have been that long. We thank the Lord for the way you have stood by us in this undertaking. The church feels this is the year we will build on the property. I will attempt to share with you some of the information you are looking for.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Our income for this year was \$10,269.72 for the general fund. . . we had \$607.20 given to the building fund. Two years ago when we were going through a critical time the general fund borrowed almost one hundred dollars from the building fund. We are now going to replace this money which will give us \$2,173.35 in the building fund. Our expenses for the year are \$9,764.47.

VALUE OF PROPERTY: The church has a balance of \$4,318.51 on the Garden Avenue property. We are fixing the property up to sell. A Nazarene church is interested in buying this building. We are going to ask \$15,000. This will give us \$10,000 to go on the new building. The parsonage is valued at \$35,000 now, and we owe \$16,000 on this property. The Jog Road property, which is the new property, has almost doubled in value. A realtor tells me this property is now worth \$40,000 on today's market.

PROGRESS TOWARD BUILDING: Most of our bids are now in. They range from \$72,000 up to \$93,000 for a 90x35 building to be used as Sunday School rooms and chapel to seat 125. I am, at this time, in Georgia checking with a builder who built the Georgia State Mission building, which is similar to ours, for \$45,000. Help us pray that we can build for \$60,000 or less. Financing is difficult at this time. This builder is a member of the Bob Jones University Board and builds churches only. This may be the man God wants us to have!

CHURCH STATISTICS: We have baptised 14 this year. We have had 21 of our people to move out of the state, and at this time our Sunday School is averaging in the fifties and morning services have been in the sixties, and even into the seventies. For the past couple of months our offerings have been averaging \$200.00 a week. We have just finished a revival with Bro. Jim Puckett as evangelist and have had a great meeting. The Lord truly blessed our people and their pastor.

THE FUTURE: Only God knows what is going to happen here in West Palm Beach, but in some degree you will help to hold the key to what does happen here also. I wish I could say we have a self supporting project at this time, but I can not. Your wishes as a state association will be abided by as far as our work in West Palm Beach is concerned. At this time my family and I still feel this is where we are supposed to be. Do keep us on your heart, for we need your prayers.

Yours in Christ, Edward, Nancy, Stephanie Shelly, Stacie THE COOK FAMILY

VICTORY ASSOCIATION YOUTH CAMP

Treasury Report

On	hand	Octobe	r 1,	1974:
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\$1200.82

Money Received

		•
Central Florida Minister and Deacons	\$ 50.00	
Central Florida Quarterly	31.06	
Walter Rice	25.00	
Central Florida Quarterly	59.49	
Mt. Olive, Highland City	50.00	
Christian Home, Bartow	100.00	
Central Florida Quarterly	40,00	
First, Winter Haven	50.00	
First, Tampa	100.00	
South Florida Quarterly	100.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Blonder	10.00	
First of Auburndale	100,00	
Resale Groceries	108.61	
Camper's Fee	2010.00	
Central Florida Quarterly	100.00	
Central Florida Quarterly	40.87	
First of Lakeland	86.25	
Sale of Shirts and Hospital Emergencies (30.50)	365.62	
	3426.90	3426.90
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4627.72

Paid Out

Insurance	120.00
Stamps	10,00
Milege and Meals	202.22
First Aid	11.74
Camp Rent and Kitchen Replacement	683.10
Literature	74.80
Groceries	1251.32
Freight on Commodities	12.55
Hospital Emergencies	30.50
Cook's and Nurse's Fee	235.00
Director's and Assistant's Fee	100.00
Evangelist	200.00
Calculator	20.79
Lifeguard	20.25
"T" Shirts, Scrapbook, Film and Sporting Goods	413.81
	3386.08

3386.08

\$1241.64

Director of Florida Free Will Baptist Ministers

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Current list not available.

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ASSOCIATIONS	NO. QUARTERLY MEETINGS	NO. CHURCHES	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP	NO. PARSONAGES	NO. ORDAINED MINISTERS	NO. LICENSED MINISTERS	NO. ORDAINED DEACONS	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT	SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	C.T.S. ENROLMENT	C.T.S. AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES ENROLMENT	WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	MASTER'S MEN ENROLMENT	MASTER'S MEN AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	MID-WEEK SERVICE AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	AMOUNT ENCLOSED FOR FEES	VALUE OF PARSONAGE PROPERTY
Liberty	1	12	1,031	5	15	4	32	670	550	277	211	52	37	24	19	273	\$ 36.00	\$ 64,000.00
Salem	1	14	1,289	6	16	2	50	672	544	244	199	74	65	16	11	244	48.00	61,000.00
North Florida	1	10	729	2	12	5	. 9	378	317	198	169	35	29		 ,	119	27.00	80,000.00
West Florida	1	8	505	2	11	1	24	427	342	261	200	52	29	15	9	216	24.00	19,000.00
Victory	2	26	1,990	13	42	14	58	1,760	1,548	412	360	199	165	36	36	311	76.00	392,000.00
Indian River	1	5	297	3	6	3	16	247	213	129	110	41	30	_		127	15.00	31,362.00
TOTAL	7	75 .	5,841	31	102	29	189	4,154	3,514	1,521	1,249	453	355	91	7 5	1,370	\$ 228.00	\$647,362.00

ASSOCIATIONAL STATISTICS (Continued)

ASSOCIATIONS	PASTOR'S SALARIES	EVANGELISTIC WORK	BUILDING AND REPAIR	LITERATURE	OTHER	TOTAL \$ FOR LOCAL CAUSES	COOPERATIVE PLAN	FOREIGN MISSIONS	HOME MISSIONS	EDUCATION	ORPHANAGE	SUPERANNUATION	ASSOCIATIONAL PROJECTS	STATE AND NATIONAL PROJECTS	TOTAL SPENT FOR OUTSIDE CAUSES	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY
Liberty	\$ 41,420.32		\$ 23,292.89		\$ 36,718.67	\$101,431.07	\$ 7,285.07	\$ 3,981.95	\$2,137.44	\$1,897.50	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$15,361.96	\$116,793.90	\$ 282,292.00
Salem	54,702.07	\$ 3,489.76	34,144.73	\$ 5,467.80	22,892.59	120,697.55	3,700.99	2,390.82	2, 578.96	2,484.50	1,726.04	346.50	416.00	\$1,212.80	14,856.61	135,554,16	454,000.00
North Florida	24,957.00		6,259.00		35,673.08	66,889.00	4,586.00	3,792.00	730.00	2,100.00			1,873.00	2,807.00	15,888.00	82,777.00	459,000.00
West Florida	22,079.00	17,497.00	105,239.00		3,127.00	147,942.00	6,032.00	2,750.00	1,886.00				,		13,474.00	161,416.00	283,627.00
Victory	92,859.33	7,191.81	52,814.38	11,066.33	24,863.00	188,794.85	4,024.01	8,084.80	1,295.88	1,957.57	1,545.43		40.00	1,064.01	19,886.00	208,675.85	1,093,000.00
Indian River	20,456.09		3, 566.9 4		24,986.06	49,009.09	3,353,00	50.00	50.00	30,00	30.00				3,513.00	52,522.09	239,000.00
TOTAL	\$256,474.41	\$28,183.57	\$225,316.94	\$16,534.13	\$148,260.32	\$674,736.93	\$28,981.07	\$21,049.57	\$8,678.28	\$8,469.57	\$3,301.47	\$346.50	\$2,329.00	\$5,083.81	\$82,974.57	\$757,739.00	\$2,810,919_00

^{*} NO REPORT.

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 cannot 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, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, and Promotional Secretary.
- Section 2. Boards: The standing boards of this association shall be Planning, Missions, and Christian Education-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 of 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. General officers of this Association shall serve for the term of two (2) years.

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. Spécial: 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 \$3.00 per member church, and fees for churches are \$5.00 per delegate.
- 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 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. No person shall serve on more than one board at the same time.
- Section 8. It shall be the duty of the Planning Board to provide general plans for this Association, make the budget and regulate fees.

CONSTITUTION

and BY-LAWS

of the

FLORIDA STATE HOME MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I - NAME

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

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

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

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

This board shall be composed of members elected by the State association and shall serve terms established on a rotational basis: one member's 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 IV - OFFICERS

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 V - 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 VI - COMMITTEES

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

ARTICLE VII - 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 VIII - 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 IX - 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 adivsory 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 second 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 I - 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 board's activities and financial transactions. All records and property mortgages and titles shall be surrendered to the succeeding secretary-treasurer.

ARTICLE II - 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 III - DUTIES OF MEMBERS

All members shall endeavor to support mission work through cooperative 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 IV - AMENDMENTS

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

CONSTITUTION

and

BY-LAWS

of the

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - YOUTH BOARD

ARTICLE I - NAME

This board shall be known as the Christian Education - Youth Board of the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of this board shall be to promote Sunday School, Church Training Service, Free Will Baptist Bible College, Youth Camps, Youth Rallies, Vacation Bible Schools, and Teacher Training Programs, and to be a co-ordinating agency between National, State, and District offices.

ARTICLE III - THE BOARD

- Section 1. Composition This board shall be composed of five members.
- Section 2. Tenure of Office The members of this board shall be elected for a term of five years and arranged whereby that only one member's term expires annually.
- Section 3. Vacancies In the event irregular vacancies occur on this board they will be filled by the Florida State Association.
- Section 4. Time of Meeting This board will meet semi-annually. As need arises called meetings may be held.
 - Section 5. Organization The board shall elect a Chairman and Secretary.

ARTICLE IV - DUTIES OF THE BOARD

- Section 1. To set up and direct CTS competitive activities.
- Section 2. To promote and encourage Teacher Training Courses that have been approved by the National Sunday School Department of the local and district group meetings.
- Section 3. The board shall give a report of its activities at the Florida State Association annual meeting.

ARTICLE V - TRAVEL EXPENSES

Ten cents per mile one way shall be paid board members for all meetings except the board meetings in connection with the State Association.

ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENTS

This Constitution and By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of the State Association.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His Grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to provide things honest in the sight of all men.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship, and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace," to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring and as far as we are able, to promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principles sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of Missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the Salvation of the World. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.