

**1980
MINUTES
OF THE
THIRTY-SIXTH SESSION
OF THE FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION
PINEY GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
CHIPLEY, FLORIDA**

THEME:

"THE VICTORIOUS CHURCH"

NEXT SESSION

**FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
MELBOURNE, FLORIDA
OCTOBER 28, 29, 30, 1981**

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Harvey Hill	Winter Haven
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 Howard Bass
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 Gap Pond
 Nashville, Tenn.
 Mt. Carmel—Perry
 Malone
 First Church—Ocalo
 Bartow
 Lakeland
 Bratt
 Deerfield Beach
 Marvin Chapel
 First Church—Quincy
 Lake Jackson—Tallahassee
 Vero Beach
 Panama City
 Buelah—Pensacola
 Daytona Beach
 Tampa
 Tallahassee
 Shiloh—Bratt
 Ensley—Pensacola
 Ensley—Pensacola
 Holly Grove—Marianna
 Sneads
 Cypress Creek
 Wesconnett—Jacksonville
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 Nashville, Tenn.
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 Thomas Ward
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 Christian Home (Bartow)
 Tampa
 Scottsmoor
 Ensley
 Pleasant Hill

 Chipley
 Gap Pond

 Damacus
 Torah—Crestview
 Damacus—Marianna
 Piney Grove—Chipley

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Clayton Lancaster	Torah—Crestview
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Burma Mercer	Winter Haven
Harmon Mercer	Winter Haven
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Hazel Back	Melbourne
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Sylvia Hill	Victory
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Wayne Hartzog	Chipley

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W. J. Amerson
Robert Hager
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Edwina Baggett

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Shiloh
West Palm Beach
Piney Grove
Piney Grove
Crestview

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Gladys Taylor	Panama City
Vera P. Burke	Panama City
Mrs. Willie Faye Pippin	Panama City
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Earlie Peel	Piney Grove
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Mr. Troy Sapp	Marianna
Mrs. Troy Sapp	Marianna
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Kenny Laster	Blue Lake Baptist
Essie B. Toole	Piney Grove
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Flossie Porter	First FWB Church, Chipley
Genia Porter	First FWB Church, Chipley
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Mabel Willey	Foreign Mission Board
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Ruby Amerson	Shiloh
Lucille Collins	Winter Haven
Mable Cain	Winter Haven
Katie Browning	Winter Haven
Douglas Morgan	Shiloh
Christeen Morgan	Shiloh
Martey Cortch	Shiloh
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 Martha Simmons
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 Misty Burch
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 Bernice Cantrell
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 I. T. Baxter
 Bertie Baxter
 Dr. Melvin Worthington
 Lounell Duncan
 Rhonda Duncan
 Tamera Duncan
 Katrina Duncan
 Mary Whitehead
 Connie Whitehead
 Brenda Whitehead
 Kenneth Whitehead
 Jeanette Whitehead
 Asa Whitehead
 Judy Peterson
 Jay Peterson
 Milton Peel
 Gwen Peel
 Lavon Crawford
 Martha Crawford
 Mark Crawford
 Donna Crawford
 Treasa Crawford
 Will Crawford
 Wallace Petterson
 JoNell Petterson
 Robert Register
 Sorothy Sanders
 Mellody Gainey
 Ralph Baggett

Piney Grove
 Pleasant Hill
 Salem—Cottondale
 Salem—Cottondale
 Liberty—Vernon
 Piney Grove
 Piney Grove
 Shiloh
 Lake Jackson
 FWB Children's Home
 FWB Children's Home
 Chipley
 Mt. Carmel, Perry
 Pleasant Hill
 Pleasant Hill
 Piney Grove
 Piney Grove
 Melbourn

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 Emmanuel, Lakeland
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 Chipley
 Torch

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Mike Crayton	Damascus
Perry Rehberg	Damascus
Mrs. Ollie Rehberg	Damascus
Lena Richards	Chipley
Monnie Retherford	Chipley
Pearl Barrow	Chipley
Beverley Hartzog	Chipley
Brett Hartzog	Chipley
Harold Register	Piney Grove
Carma Lee Register	Piney Grove
Linda Register	Piney Grove
Keith Register	Piney Grove
Wendell Owen	Piney Grove
Wesley Owen	Piney Grove
Robert L. Hagler	West Palm Beach
Katie Owen	Piney Grove
Jerrine Burch	Pleasant Hill
Aaron Burch	Pleasant Hill
Loreida Burch	Pleasant Hill
Freda Toole	Chipley
Rachel Toole	Chipley
Gena Porter	Chipley
Tina Pippin	Chipley
Joann Tew	Chipley
Angelia Tiller	Chipley
Teresa Tiller	Chipley
Dallas Anderson	Chipley
Becky Anderson	Chipley
Peggy Rhodes	Chipley
Melissa Rhodes	Chipley
Judy Campbell	Chipley
Mary Hill	Chipley
Evelyn McFarland	Chipley
Donna Clark	Chipley
Wayne Clark	Chipley
Celecia Hill	Chipley
Linda Riley	Chipley
Lola Clark	Chipley
Anna Hall	Chipley
Gwen Peel	Piney Grove
Milton Peel	Piney Grove
Paul Hill	Chipley

PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, October 29, 1980, 7:30 P.M.

Our meeting opened by singing "Onward Christian Soldiers," and "Bring Them In," led by Bro. Gary Fry. The session was called to order by the clerk, Bro. Danny Williamson, and the Moderator, Bro. Gene Helton, was introduced.

The Moderator appointed the Committee on Committees.

Prayer by Bro. Lindbery Bass.

Welcome given by the host pastor, Bro. Gerald Fowler.

Bro. Bud Hill took over the presiding of the meeting.

Song "Victory in Jesus."

Prayer by Bro. Harvey Henderson.

An offering was received with prayer by Bro. Bud Hill, \$113.00.

Special singing by the First Free Will Baptist Church of Chipley. "Jesus is Coming Again," and "The King Is Coming."

Bro. Ken Walker, pastor the Deerfield Beach Church, brought the evening message, "The Need For Victory." Acts 3.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Odis Whitehead.

Thursday, October 30, 1980, 9:30 A.M.

We began by singing "Stand Up For Jesus." Prayer by Bro. Albert Rollins.

Song: "To God Be The Glory," and "He Brought Me Out."

Prayer by Bro. J. D. Norris.

M.S.C. to receive a partial report of the Credential Committee.

M.S.C. to receive the report from the Children's Home, for information.

M.S.C. to receive the report of the Committee on Committees.

M.S.C. to receive the report from the State Home Mission Board.

M.S.C. to receive a partial report from the Credential Committee.

M.S.C. to receive the report from the National Home Mission Department, for information.

M.S.C. to receive the report of the State Youth Board.

M.S.C. to receive the report of the State Woman's Auxiliary.

Song, "Heavenly Sunlight."

Prayer by Bro. Robert Owen.

Rev. John Gibbs, from the National Home Missions Department, presented a seminar on "Assisting Faltering Churches Within the Local Quarterly or Association." Eph. 2:19.

We dismissed for lunch in prayer by Bro. Bud Hill.

Thursday, October 30, 1980, 1:30 P.M.

We began with a song, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus."

Prayer by Bro. Bob White.

Song: "Wonderful Words Of Life."

M.S.C. to receive the reports from the National Master's Men Board, the National Retirement and Insurance Board, and the National Ex-Office.

M.S.C. to receive the State Treasurers Report.

M.S.C. to receive the report from the Christian Education Board.

M.S.C. to receive the report from the National Sunday School and C.T.S. Department.

M.S.C. to receive the report from the National Foreign Missions Department, for information.

M.S.C. to receive the report from the Free Will Baptist Bible College.

We received the report from Contacto for information.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Darrell Gwinn.

Thursday Evening, 7:30 P.M.

We began by singing "Jesus Saves."

Prayer by Bro. Harvey Hill.

Song, "Love Lifted Me."

Special singing provided by the Piney Grove Church Choir. "A New Name In Glory."

We received an offering with prayer by Bro. Howard Bass, \$115.12.

Special song, "Take A Moment And Live."

The evening message was brought by Rev. J. D. Norris, pastor of Lake Jackson Church, "Personal Victory And Responsibility" Joshua 5:13-15; 6:1-5.

We closed with a very inspiring invitation and fellowship. Prayer by Bro. Isaac.

Friday, October 31, 1980, 9:30 A.M.

We began by singing "Shelter In The Time Of Storm."

Prayer by Bro. Ken Walker.

Song "Tell It To Jesus," and "Power In The Blood."

Due to the absence of the one who was to bring the morning devotion, the time was given for testimony.

Prayer by Bro. Lindberg Bass.

M.S.C. to receive the report of the Executive Committee and adopt item by item. Item #1 M.S.C. Item #2 M.S.C. Item #3 M.S.C. and Item #6 M.S.C.

M.S.C. to receive the report of the Resolution Committee and adopt item by item. Item #1 M.S.C.

M.S.C. that we recommend to our church that the King James Version of the Bible be used in our preaching and teaching ministry.

Item #2 M.S.C.

Item #3 M.S.C.

M.S.C. to give the church and the typist \$20.00 each for typing and material.

M.S.C. to receive the report of the Placement Committee.

M.S.C. to receive the report of the Planning Board and adopt item by item.

Item #1 M.S.C.

Item #2 M.S.C.

Item #3 M.S.C.

Item #4 M.S.C. to amend that the percentages under the national giving be deleted.

Item #5 M.S.C.

M.S.C. to receive the final report of the Credential and Statistical Committee.

M.S.C. to receive the report from the Appreciation Committee.

M.S.C. to receive the report of the Committee which was appointed at the last session (1979) to study the financial giving.

M.S.C. to receive the report of the Nominating Committee and adopt item by item.

M.S.C. that the Moderator appoint the delegates to the National Association. The delegates to the National Association are as follows: Bob Allen, Box 23, Scottsmoor, Florida 32725; Naomi Lancaster, 182 Baggett Ave., Crestview, Florida 32536; Wallace Back, 161 Richard Drive, Palm Bay, Florida 32905; Robert Hager, 823 38th St. West Palm Beach, Florida 33407; and Jeff Lunsford, 2637 Riviera Dr., Miramar, Florida 33023.

M.S.C. that a love offering be received to pay for the expense of the fellowship breakfast incurred by Bro. Gerald Fowler; all money above the expense would be put in the general fund and if there was not enough received, the general fund would make up the difference. \$50.46.

M.S.C. that the Florida State Association give \$1,000.00 to the Founders Club of the Bible College.

M.S.C. to dismiss.

Prayer by Bro. Odis Whitehead.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

NOMINATING: J. D. Norris, Chairman
Robert Owen
Bud Hill

PLACEMENT: James Foster, Chairman
Larry Montgomery
W. L. Collins

RESOLUTION: Ken Walker, Chairman
Lindberg Bass
Odis Whitehead

APPRECIATION: Patsey Helton, Chairman
Mrs. Nelda Perkins
Martha Pettis

Signed: Harvey Hill, Chairman
Wayne Hicks
Bob Allen

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

We, your Credential Committee, recommend the following report for adoption:

Associations reporting were:

West Florida	7 churches
Victory	21 churches
Salem	15 churches
North Florida	13 churches
Liberty	8 churches
Indian River	8 churches
Total	<u>72 churches</u>

Association Fees paid:

West Florida	27.00
Victory	63.00
Salem	48.00
North Florida	39.00
Liberty	24.00
Indian River	24.00
Church Delegates	<u>65.00</u>
Total Fees	290.00

Ministers registered	44
Deacons registered	14
Visitors registered	146
Associational Delegates registered	31
Church Delegates registered	13
Associations represented	6
Number of parsonages	33
Number of Ordained Ministers	101
Number of Licensed Ministers	24
Number of Ordained Deacons	138
Sunday School Enrollment	3900
Sunday School Average Attendance	2849
C.T.S. Enrollment	1433
C.T.S. Average Attendance	1015
Woman's Auxiliary Enrollment	440
Woman's Auxiliary Average Enrollment	273
Master's Men Enrollment	110
Master's Men Average Attendance	76
Mid-week Average Attendance	1793
Total Registered	248

Respectfully
 Darrell Gwinn
 Jim Simmons
 Roger Duncan

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee wishes to make the following report:

Assistant Moderator—Rev. Gerald Fowler

Executive Committee

Liberty—Rashey Kennedy
West Florida—Tom Coxwell
North Florida—Jim Simmons
Central Florida—Rand Brooks
South Florida—Larry Montgomery
Indian River—Bob Allen
Salem—Charles Powell

Mission

Rev. Lindberg Bass (85)

Planning

Wayne Hicks (85)

Youth

Ruby Amerson (85)

Christian Education

J. D. Norris (85)
Robert Owen (84)
Danny Keen (82)
William Smith (81)

Alabama Children's Home—Rev. Bill George

General Board—Rev. Robert Owen

J. D. Norris, Chairman
Bud Hill
Robert Owen

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**June 7, 1980
Ocala, Florida**

Prayer by Rev. Gerald Fowler

1. It was the consent of the committee that \$100.00 be spent for the printing of a Program for the State Meeting.
2. "THEME"—The Victorious Church
Wednesday Night—Ken Walker
Thursday Morning—Trymon Messer
Thursday Night—J. D. Norris
M.S.C. to adjourn
Prayer by Bob Allen.

**October 29, 1980
Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Church
1:30 P.M.**

Prayer by Jim Simmons.

Bro. Jim Simmons to have Bro. Arthur Lambert sign the only remaining document to clear title to Salem Bible College.

NOTE: All liabilities concerning the Salem Bible College has been cleared.

1. MSC that any church not filling out the financial report, on form EX101, would not be considered out of order by this body.
2. MSC that the Home Mission Board revise their Constitution and By-laws and present it at the state meeting in 1981, for adoption.
3. MSC that we recommend to the body, that Bro. Gibbs be given a \$100.00 honorarium.
4. MSC: that the Executive Board accept the resignation of Bro. Bud Hill, as Assistant Moderator and as a member of the Board of Christian Education.
5. MSC: that we receive an oral report from Home Mission Board for information and that they be commended for their work.
6. MSC: We recommend that all our churches send the names and addresses of all their members to Bro. Gary Fry.

Prayer by Bro. Bud Hill.

FINANCIAL GIVING COMMITTEE

ITEM I

Considering the competition from the various departments and projects for the dollars of our church; Considering the tremendous cost in promotion spent by each department in raising their budget; Considering the lack of co-operation among our churches in supporting the present Co-op program;

We recommend that we strongly initiate and support a national movement to develop a new program that will be workable, efficient, and alleviate designated giving; this program will need a new name. We further recommend a target date of 1985 for the implementation of this program.

ITEM II

We recommend the Planning Board be in charge of developing a feasible model program to meet the present and projected needs.

ITEM II

We recommend every church not supporting the present Co-op program to give it their support.

Gerald Fowler
Bud Hill
Charles Powell
Ernest Owen
J. D. Norris

PLANNING BOARD October 30, 1980

We, the Planning Board offer these recommendations for consideration:

1. That \$60,000.00 be set as goal for the State Cooperative Plan.
2. That our treasurer be paid \$20.00 per month from the General Fund.
3. That the Moderator and Clerk be paid \$100.00 each from the General Fund.
4. That these percentages be used for dividing cooperative monies.

NATIONAL (35%)

STATE (65%)

59% Home Mission Board
12% Promotion
16% Youth Board
8% General Fund
5% Children's Home

5. That \$100.00 per quarter be given to Contacto from the General Fund.

Submitted by,
David Matthews, Sr.
W. L. Collins
Robert Owen
Odis Whitehead
Larry Montgomery

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

1. Whereas a task force of the National Council of Churches is proposing the substitution of neuter and/or feminine designations for many masculine words and phrases in the Bible, and

Whereas we as Christians have a responsibility to teach the truth and defend the truth as found in the Bible—The Word of God.

Be it resolved that we oppose the use of any version of the Bible that would take the gender away from any scriptural reference to God and man—such changes as suggested by the feminists who contend that the Bible in its present form is biased against women.

2. Whereas there is a real crisis in the world refugee situation, and

Whereas these refugees are souls for whom Christ died and to whom the Church is commissioned to preach the gospel, and

Whereas, the Scriptures command Christians to express God's love by meeting human needs (1 John 3:17),

Be it resolved that the Churches of the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptist commend, pray for, and support financially those organizations like World Vision or World Relief Corporation who minister to both the spiritual and practical needs of the refugees.

3. Whereas the vital state of our country is at stake in this presidential election;

Be it resolved that Christian Principle and Precept be used as guidelines in determining which candidate for whom to vote.

4. Appendix MSC that we recommend to our churches that the King James Version of the Bible be used in our preaching and teaching ministries.

Ken Walker
Otis Whitehead
Lindberg Bass

YOUTH BOARD REPORT

The Florida State Youth Board met in conjunction with the Florida State Youth Rally and competition in Melbourne Free Will Baptist Church, Melbourne, Florida, May 23, 1980. Members attending were: Gene Helton, Charles Powell, Darrell Gwinn, Ruby Amerson, and Howard Bass.

We went over programs for competition and registration forms. It was brought to the attention of the Board that several churches during the 1979 competition did not pay their fee. It was decided that no funds would be given to winners from these districts until the proper fees were paid.

It was decided that since California was so far away some plan had to be brought forth by the board for monies to help with the expenses.

Those winners in Bible competition	\$200.00
Those winners in Music and Arts	100.00

The following winners were declared.
Memorization—1st Grade

Approximately 500 people registered for the competition.

National Competition:

Bible Bowl from Cocoa won second place.
Bible Memorization from Shiloh won third place.

CAMP MT. PLEASANT REPORT—SUMMER 1980

TEEN WEEK

Director: Rev. Gary Fry
45 Enrolled
22 Rededications
10 seeking the will of God for full time service

PRE-TEEN WEEK

Director: Rev. David Isaac
69 Enrolled
4 Conversions
25 Rededications
12 seeking the will of God for full time service

JUNIOR WEEK

Director: Rev. Gerald Fowler
32 Enrolled
8 Saved

CAMP VAIRA July 6-11, 1980

We are happy to report a very enjoyable camp, in spite of being a little over crowded. The fellowship, the co-operation, the food, the fun, were just great.

We had 21 rededications and 17 first time decisions. Bro. Tim Landers, the evangelist, did a wonderful job each night.

As camp director I again would like to thank all of the faithful workers and supporters who made camp possible this year.

In Christ Service,
Danny Williamson
Camp Director

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We met and have worked up some syllabus for Bible courses:

- (1) Old Testament Survey
- (2) New Testament Survey
- (3) Personal Evangelism

We had as many as seven (7) Bible Institutes and at the present we have only one (1) meeting at Deerfield Beach. Others will be starting back up soon.

We urge that our pastors prayerfully consider starting a Bible Institute for your area.

For more information please contact the Board for assistance.

We recommend that the Board continue to receive the \$750.00.

Rev. Tom Willey

Rev. Bud Hill

Rev. J. D. Norris

FLORIDA HOME MISSION BOARD REPORT

The State Missions Program consists of two Joint Projects and one National Project.

Gainesville: Rev. Robert Smith left the work in August, 1980. Rev. Albert Rollins has been hired as missionary and is presently on itinerate across the state. He completed two weeks itinerate in North Carolina before moving to Florida.

Daytona Beach: Rev. Norlin Jones left the work in June 1980 for health reasons. Rev. John Rhodes had been serving as assistant to Rev. Jones for some two years when Rev. Jones resigned. Rev. Rhodes has been under contract to the Board as interim missionary since Rev. Jones' departure. A review of the work in Daytona Beach is scheduled for the State Meeting. If Rev. Rhodes is retained as missionary it will be necessary for the work to be a state work instead of Joint. Rev. Rhodes does not have the two years Pastoral experience required by the National Home Mission Board for approval as missionary.

Tallahassee: Rev. J. D. Norris is our missionary in the National work in Tallahassee. The work is progressing well, but there is great need for funds for the Building and Land funds. The church is presently engaged in the Christian school ministry using the Accelerated Christian Education program. Their initial fall enrollment was 92 in grades k-12.

West Palm Beach: The work in West Palm Beach will no longer be under the State Board as of October 31, 1980. This by the vote of the body as the 1979 State Meeting. Rev. Harley Brown remains as pastor and is currently working part time.

It was necessary for the Board to meet numerous times this year to accomplish the hiring of two new missionaries. The minutes of those meetings are lengthy and therefore not included in this report. They are open to those interested.

Gary Fry, Chairman

FLORIDA FWB HOME MISSION BOARD, INC.

Treasurer's Report

October 25, 1979-October 14, 1980

Balance on Hand October 25, 1979 5,799.45

RECEIPTS:

COOP	18,951.39	
Loan Payments	1,155.10	
Tom Willey, Jr.	794.16	
CONTACTO	425.00	
General Fund	204.77	
Daytona Beach	179.31	
Tallahassee	238.32	
Gainesville	592.73	
West Palm Beach	706.40	
	<u>23,247.18</u>	<u>23,247.18</u>
Total		29,046.63

DISBURSEMENTS:

West Palm Beach	3,903.08	
Gainesville	2,995.35	
Tallahassee	1,148.46	
Daytona Beach	8,997.08	
Supply Preaching	1,125.00	
Rollins Moving Exp.	206.68	
CONTACTO	425.00	
Tom Willey Jr.	794.16	
Property Taxes	203.68	
Bookkeeping	300.00	
Board Phone Exp.	243.27	
Travel Expenses for Bd. & Missionaries	1,658.55	
Okeechobee	150.00	
Postage & Supplies	183.39	
Total		<u>22,333.70</u>

Balance on Hand, October 14, 1980 6,712.93

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:

Wright Church	\$1,920.93
Camp Mt. Pleasant	<u>2,788.41</u>
	\$4,709.34

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS:

Certificate (11.75%)	\$7,400.74
Passbook Acct.	<u>314.65</u>
	\$7,715.39

TOTAL ASSETS:

Cash on Hand	\$6,712.93
Accts. Rec.	4,709.34
Savings Accts.	<u>7,715.39</u>
	\$19,137.66

PLEASE NOTE: All gifts for our Florida State Home Missions work, for Okeechobee, CONTACTO, for Tom Willey Jr., and all loan payments, are to be sent to the address herein given.

FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST HOME MISSION BOARD, INC.

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WOMAN'S AUXILIARY REPORT

The Florida State Woman's Auxiliary Convention met in Jacksonville at the Wesconnett Church on Saturday, June 7th. There were 32 present.

We were blessed to have Mrs. Amy Robinson, wife of Paul Robinson and Missionary to Uruguay as our speaker. She shared with us some of the highlights of her eighteen years in Uruguay and helped us to realize anew the joy of serving Christ.

During the fiscal year for 1979-1980 a total of \$4,685.00 passed through the hands of our state treasurer for missions work. \$1,830 of this was for our state project which included Daytona Beach Mission; Tallahassee Mission, WNAC, Tom Willey, Jr., & Jim & Shirley Combs. We are pleased that we exceeded our goal and adopted a project for the coming year to include WNAC, Florida State Home Missions, National Foreign Missions & CONTACTO Magazine. No dollar amount has been set, however, we feel to give less than \$4,000 would not be good since we gave over that amount last year. When sending in your monies for Home or Foreign Missions each local auxiliary or district may designate the missionary account that they wish to receive their monies, if no designation is made the treasurer will send the monies received to the missionary account which needs it the most. No money will be sent to the National Office just marked "Foreign Missions" but will be sent to a deficit account. Mrs. Robinson told our ladies how much they had profited by this publication of CONTACTO so we feel the need to keep this magazine in print is really great.

So far this year our treasurer reports gifts to Foreign Missions in the amount of \$407.24; Home Missions, \$235.94; WNAC, \$338.05; CONTACTO, \$80.00 and the Bible College (for various projects) \$105.33.

For the information of those treasurers of the locals or districts sending funds to our state treasurer with amounts designated—please do not write on the back or bottom of your checks the person to whom the money is designated. Please make your checks out to the WSAC and attach a small piece of paper to the check with your designations on it—not on the check. This has something to do with the Internal Revenue. There seems to have been a question in some of

the organizations when the specified amounts appeared on the check.

It was recommended by the state that each local auxiliary send a \$10.00 donation annually to help defray the expenses of our missionary speaker for our conventions.

Our next convention is to be combined with a prayer retreat which is to be held at the Camp Rotary Camp Grounds, Auburndale, Florida, providing the necessary repairs are made, Friday night and Saturday, June 5th and 6th. This is something new for the State of Florida but most of the ladies present felt it would be good. It is hoped to be able to begin our retreat at 6:00 P.M. on Friday afternoon. All those who are interested in coming may register by sending a \$15.00 fee which will include a nights lodging, breakfast, and lunch on Saturday. You may bring your own sheet and pillow. We felt this would be a considerable savings to our ladies over the motel and restaurant costs.

At least one new auxiliary has been organized since June. We welcome Daytona Beach into our work. Although they organized at a time it was not convenient for me to be present Helen Allen took care of everything, and I wish to thank her for that.

All officers of the auxiliary are asked to meet directly after lunch for a short planning meeting. Officers include all those elected and the presidents of all districts or locals where no district is held. Any suggestions you may have to help us with our state meetings or retreat would be appreciated.

THE PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

October 30, 1980, Thursday Afternoon 1:10 P.M.

We, the Placement Committee recommend the 1981 State Association meeting be held at First Free Will Baptist Church in Melbourne, Florida.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. L. Collins

Larry Montgomery

James V. Foster

THE APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

We, the Appreciation Committee, wish to express our appreciation to the Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Church, for hosting the Thirty-Sixth Annual Session of the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptist and for all the hospitality shown to us during our meeting.

We wish to thank Piney Grove and the other churches of the Liberty Association for the superb meals.

Our special thanks to Mrs. Peel for the beautiful roses in the sanctuary and dining hall. She shared with us one of God's most beautiful creations.

We recommend this body give them a standing vote of appreciation.

Respectfully,

Patsy Helton

Nelda Perkins

Martha Pettus

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

Ernest Owen, Treasurer

	BALANCE 10/1/79	RECEIPTS	FROM COOP PLAN	DISBURSED	BALANCE 10/1/80
National Executive Dept.		78.58		78.58	
National Coop. Plan			15,828.84	15,828.84	
Foreign Missions		1,076.24		1,076.24	
Home Missions		323.00		323.00	
Children's Home (Alabama)		2,785.85	1,469.82	4,255.67	
Bible College, Nashville		1,713.53		1,713.53	
Superannuation	866.14	16.00		300.00	582.14
State Missions and Church Extension		91.67	17,343.85	17,435.52	
General Fund	*2,659.95	551.65	2,351.71	2,518.15	3,045.16
Youth Board	2,389.33	440.00	4,703.42	3,416.76	4,115.99
State Promotional Fund	1,349.55	11.61	3,527.56	3,229.51	1,659.21
Youth Camp (Mt. Pleasant)		226.47		226.47	
State Coop. Plan		45,225.20			

EARMARKED FOR MISSIONARIES

Coscia	50.00	50.00	
Robinson	44.89	44.89	
Payne	1,061.72	1,061.72	
Combs	50.00	50.00	
Aldridge	50.00	50.00	
Richards	106.00	106.00	
Lee	50.00	50.00	
Ellison	81.00	81.00	
Eagleton	50.00	50.00	
Aycock	202.00	202.00	
Poole	148.00	148.00	
Sturgill	305.67	305.67	
Sparks	50.00	50.00	
Van Hook	145.00	145.00	
Barron	50.00	50.00	
Dickins	48.00	48.00	
Gibbs	40.00	40.00	
Hanna	225.00	225.00	
D. Owen	3,405.24	3,405.24	
Haas	90.00	90.00	
Gainesville, Smith	650.30	650.30	
Daytona, Jones	1,195.00	1,195.00	
Okeechobee	300.00	300.00	
Lake Jackson, Tallahassee	461.45	461.45	
West Palm Beach	15.00	15.00	
Moser	5.00	5.00	
Bishop	60.00	60.00	
Def. Accounts	251.39	251.39	
Sunny Hills	746.65	746.65	
TOTALS	7,264.97	62,477.11	60,339.58
In Bank of Washington County			3,287.12
In First Fed. Savings & Loan			6,115.38
Accumulated Interest			345.99
TOTAL all Accounts and Interest			9,748.49

EXPLANATIONS

STATE PROMOTIONAL FUND

Postage, Printing, & Expenses	2,129.51
Rev. G. Fry, Salary	1,100.00
	<u>3,229.51</u>

YOUTH BOARD

Travel Expense	218.40
Reg. Fee to Nat'l.	95.00
Trophys	75.60
Winners Awards	2,800.00
Post. & Telephone	71.28
Questions & Medals	156.48
	<u>3,416.76</u>

GENERAL FUND

Clerk	100.00
Moderator	100.00
Postage, Reports, Supplies	
(80.00 paper & typing at 1979 meeting)	126.91
Food	200.00
Reg. Fee to Nat'l.	125.00
Children's Home Travel	225.00
Minutes	478.50
Speaker	255.00
Treasurer	240.00
Travel (Exec. Bd.)	315.95
Expense (Edu. Bd.)	351.79
	<u>2,518.15</u>

* 1979 Balance General Fund & Interest 316.41 = 2,659.95

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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 Enrolment	Sunday School Avg. Attendance	C.T.S. Enrolment	C.T.S. Avg. Attendance	Woman's Auxiliary Enrolment	Woman's Auxiliary Avg. Attendance	Master's Men Enrolment	Master's Men Avg. Attendance	Mid-Week Service Avg. Attendance	Amount enclosed for fees	Value of Parsonage Property
Indian River	1	8	567	2	12	3	12	539	398	185	150	47	34	18	16	231	24.00			
Liberty	1	8	605	4	6	1	20	379	305	156	128	30	24	19	17		15.00		129,000.00	
North Florida	1	13	278	5	19	7	16	490	404	206	132	57	40	20	15	241	39.00		136,000.00	
Salem	1	15	1,074	8	17	1	56	687	550	312	249	112	69	6	6	254	48.00		185,000.00	
Victory	2	21	1,611	12	34	12	14	1,215	816	333	280	148	73	47	22	895	63.00		429,750.00	
West Florida	1	7	648	2	13	0	20	590	376	241	148	46	33	0	0	172	27.00		429,756.00	
	7	72	4,783	33	101	24	138	3,900	2,849	1,433	1,087	440	273	110	76	1,793	216.00		1,309,506.00	

ASSOCIATIONAL STATISTICS

Associations	Pastors' Salaries	Evangelistic Work	Building and Repair	Literature	Other	Total \$ for local causes	Cooperative Plan	Foreign Missions
Indian River	Not Available							
Liberty	\$52,811.00				\$34,505.19	\$87,316.19	\$5,224.88	\$5,298.88
North Florida	47,734.65	2,245.00	15,312.56		58,058.11	123,350.32	9,106.03	6,912.43
Salem	79,264.11	3,549.07	40,457.60	9,856.47	39,791.39	172,918.64	11,523.56	2,548.87
Victory	125,034.38	5,935.84	49,146.29	11,120.88	127,390.19	318,627.58	5,993.05	19,015.18
West Florida	39,290.00		9,581.51		37,581.13	86,452.64	7,356.95	4,848.29
	344,134.14	11,729.91	114,497.96	20,977.35	297,326.01	788,665.37	39,199.47	38,623.65

Associations	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	Superannuation	Associational Projects	State and National Projects	Total spent for outside causes	Total expenditures	Value of Church Property
Liberty	\$2,488.58						\$16,751.51	\$119,906.28	\$481,000.00
North Florida	7,844.98	979.45				4,259.51	29,097.40	152,447.72	761,000.00
Salem	4,773.46	2,627.00	2,216.07	81.00	1,830.00	240.00	25,840.06	196,357.02	582,000.00
Victory	8,709.90	4,402.28	10,674.98	24.00	1,434.80	3,770.40	54,366.69	372,994.27	1,689,250.00
West Florida	2,092.33	227.00	574.00		240.00		15,338.5	101,791.21	500,000.00
	25,909.35	8,235.73	13,465.05	105.00	3,504.80	8,269.91	141,394.23	943,501.50	4,013,250.00

**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 for 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 and Treasurer.

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

Section 3. The Executive committee shall be composed of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Secretary, Treasurer, and one elected member from each affiliated association or Quarterly meeting. 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 by election of officer to the

vacancy at regular session of the body and a 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. 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 \$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.

Section 4. Mileage for Executive Committee members and representatives of Children's Home, to be paid 10¢ a mile from the General Fund, and if a called meeting requires members to stay over night, the room and board of each member will be paid from the General Fund.

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 recommend the budget to this body.

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 of 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. 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.

**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.

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 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 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 \$1,000.00 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 Baptist 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 \$1,000.00 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 FLORIDA STATE YOUTH BOARD

ARTICLE I—NAME

This board shall be known as the Youth Board of the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptist.

ARTICLE II—DUTIES OF THE BOARD

Section 1. The duties of this board shall be to promote Youth Camps, Youth Rallies, and to be a co-ordinating agency between District, State and National Offices.

Section 2. To set up and direct C.T.S. Competitive activities.

Section 3. This board shall give a report of its activities to the Florida State Association's annual meeting.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. 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. Meetings—This board will meet semi-annually. As need arises called meetings may be held.

Section 5. Organization—The board shall elect a chairman and a secretary.

ARTICLE IV—TRAVEL EXPENSES

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

ARTICLE V

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

CONSTITUTION
of the
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD
of the
FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

ARTICLE I—NAME

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

ARTICLE II—PURPOSE

The purpose of this board shall be to promote the educational aims of the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists, among these, Statewide Bible Institutes, Teacher Training Programs, Sunday School, C.T.S., Free Will Baptist Colleges and any other training methods that will help in the growth of our churches.

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. The Board shall elect a Chairman, Assistant Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer, which shall be elected annually.

Section 4. Vacancies—In the event irregular vacancies occur on this Board they will be filled by the Florida State Association.

Section 5. The Board shall meet at least once a year and/or whenever a meeting is deemed necessary.

ARTICLE IV—DUTIES OF THE BOARD

Section 1. To create a statewide Bible Institute program that will assist and encourage the development of regional extensions in each local association.

Section 2. To assist and encourage the growth of Sunday Schools through Sunday School Conventions, workshops, etc.

Section 3. To promote the organizing of new C.T.S. groups and to assist in the training portion of existing C.T.S. groups.

Section 4. To encourage the young people of our churches to further their education in our denomination's institutions.

ARTICLE V—TRAVEL EXPENSES

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

If a called meeting requires members to stay overnight the room and board of each member will be paid.

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 Association meeting.

ARTICLE VIII—AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the board members and final approval 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.