

MINUTES

OF THE

GAINES CREEK ASSOCIATION

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FREE WILL BAPTIST

SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 8, 1951

Convened with the First Free Will Baptist
Church of McAlester, McAlester, Okla.

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September 6, 7, 8, 1951

OFFICERS

Moderator _____ Rev. Earl Jenson, McAlester
Ass't Moderator _____ Rev. Harry Lee, Haywood
Clerk _____ Sister Effie Henderson, Eufaula
Ass't Clerk _____ Sister Pauline Williams, McAlester

Executive Board

Bro. Leo Hoover, McAlester
Rev. Cecil Fassio, Eufaula
Rev. Jess Henson, Haywood
Rev. Harry Lee, Haywood
Bro. J. W. Williams, McAlester

PROCEEDINGS

Thursday Evening

Thursday Evening—Services opened with congregation singing.

United Prayer

Devotional service conducted by Rev. Harry Lee.

Message by Rev. Cecil Fassio. Scripture Reading Ne. 1, 11-2, 1, 10.

Subject — Building for God.

Concluded by Rev. Walter Boyd.

After song and Christian hand shake the moderator announced the meeting hour 10 A. M. Friday. Dismissed by Bro. Aubrey Cariker.

Friday Morning

Friday Morning—11 o'clock services: Services opened with congregation singing.

United Prayer led by Rev. Harry Lee

Rev. Norman Cathey, McFarland. Calif. brought the message.

Scripture Reading Luke 24, 38

Subject — "Behold My Hand." A wonderful message was enjoyed by all.

Dismissed by Rev. Cecil Fassio.

Lunch service in basement.

Friday Afternoon

Friday afternoon Business session — Rev. Earl Jenson acting as moderator, read 23rd Ps. for scripture reading.

Prayer by Bro. Bryant.

Letters were called for, read and accepted. Delegates seated as follows.

Cross Road Church, McAlester, Church officers were elected as follows:

Moderator _____ Rev. Earl Jenson

Ass't Moderator _____ Rev. Harry Lee

Clerk _____ Sister Effie Henderson

Ass't Clerk _____ Sister Pauline Williams

Rules of orders were read by Moderator.

Visiting ministers were invited to sit in council as advisory members.

Committees were appointed as follows:

Resolution — Bro. Bass Clark, Bro. Willie Bryant, Sister Golda Jenson.

Sunday School — Sister Alma Bryant, Sister Mary Zoomer, Sister Myrtle Clark.

Home Mission — Sister Bryant, Sister Simmers, Sister Hcover.

Credentials — Rev. Cecil Fassio, Rev. Harry Lee, Rev. Clifford Myers.

Obituary. — Sister Newmon, Sister Myers, Sister Hoover.

Temperance — Bro. Henderson, Bro. Fassio, Bro. Bryant.

Devotional — Sister Williams, Sister Clark, Sister Jenson.

Report of Devotional Committee—Rev. Norman Cathey to lead Devotional service. Rev. Harry Lee to begin the message. Bro. Myers to conclude. Motion made and seconded to adjourn business until 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

Dismissed by Rev. Clifford Myers.

Friday Evening

Friday Night — Services was called to order by Rev. Earl Jenson.

Opening song, "When we all get to Heaven".

Prayer by Rev. Austin Jenson.

Devotional service by Rev. Norman Cathey.

A special number in song, "I Need the Prayers" by Bro. and Sister Roberts and Rev. Earl Jenson.

Message by Rev. Harry Lee.

Subject — "On the Powers of God.

Scripture — 11 Timothy, 4th Chapter

11 Timothy, 3rd Chapter

11 Cor. 12th, chapter

Acts: 8-18

Concluded by Bro. Roberts.

Scripture Ezra, 8th Chapter. After very good message, one soul was saved.

Dismissed by Bro. J. W. Williams.

Saturday Morning

Saturday morning session — Services opened with singing — opening song, 'What a Gathering That Will Be.'

Scripture reading 11 Cor. 5th chapter by Rev. Cecil Fassio.

Received oral report from Tannehill church by Bro Orvil Shipley.

Sunday School report read and accepted. (see report)

Resolutions, 1, 2, 3, read and accepted. (see report)

Obituary Committee report accepted. Congregation stood for a moment's silence, Prayer by Rev. Harry Lee. 5 minute recess.

Saturday 11 o'clock services.

Singing by congregation.

Prayer by Bro. Austin Jenson

Quartet number, Precious Memories.

Memorial Message by Rev. Roberts.

Text—Rev. 14, 13.

Concluded by Rev. Cecil Fassio.

A number in song and hand shake of appreciation was given for Rev. Roberts and Rev. Fassio. Dismissed by Bro. Hayes.

Lunch served in basement.

Saturday Afternoon

Saturday Afternoon Business Sessions — Services opened with singing.

Scripture Reading 11 Phil. by Rev. Norman Cathey.

Prayer by Rev. Tommy Roberts

Received oral report from Lone Grove Church by Bro. Jess Henson.

Report of Temperance Committee (see report)

Report of Home Mission read and accepted. (see report)

Credentials committee read and accepted. (see report)

Report of devotional Committee;

Bro. Henson to lead devotional.

Rev. Norman Cathey to bring message.

Rev. Austin Jenson to follow.

Finance report read and accepted. (see report)

Delegates to state association appointed as follows:

Sister Hoover, Sister Myers, Sister Williams, Sister Jenson and Sister Simmers.

A unanimous vote to centralize the association at McAlester. Rev. Harry Lee to bring the introductory message. First 5th Sunday meeting to convene with the Cross Road Church. Rev. Earl Jenson to preach the introductory message. Motion and seconded that Rev. Cecil Fassio and Rev. Earl Jenson hold a revival at Crowder after the revival closes at Eufaula. Motion that we take up an offering for association treasure. Regular move we adjourn until Thursday night before the second Sunday in Sept. 1952.

Dismissed by Bro. Jess Henson.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Resolution No. 1

Be it resolved that this association elect an executive Board to transact association business when the association is not in session, and a yearly report to the association.

No. 2

Be it resolved that the ministers of this association, keep a record of their work and report to the quarterly meetings and yearly meetings.

No. 3

Be it resolved that our pastors encourage our churches to sponsor the associational work so as to build up our association.

No. 4

That each member pay \$1.00 or more a year to the association for Evangelistic work.

Sunday School

Recommend that each Sunday School encourage visitors by introducing them to the Sunday School by writing cards to the ones who are absent. Teachers meeting during the week to study Sunday School lesson, by using attendance banner, and using Free Will Baptist Literature.

Obituary

Reports that the Lord has called home in death from the McAlester Church Bro. Hickman, Sister Boyd, Bro. Ewing, and Sister Clifton. From the Cross Roads Church Bro. George Bailey. We count our loss Heaven's gain.

Home Mission

Recommends that each Church in the association organize a womans Auxiliary.

We also recommend that each church send a report to the annual meeting of what their church has done through home mission or auxiliary work.

Credential

Suggests that we authorize the executive board to examine the ordained of this association and bring the report to the next quarterly meeting.

Temperance

We exhort that each member of the association be much in prayer that God will give us National Prohibition. We ask that each of the ministers of this association preach one sermon each year in regard to the destruction of alcoholic beverages as contained in the word of God. That we all take heed to be more temperate in all things.

Financial Report

McAlester	\$10.00
Tannehill	\$15.00
Cross Roads	\$10.00
Lone Grove	\$ 5.00

We your Business committee suggests that each church send in \$7.50 more for printing of minutes.

Saturday Night Service

Saturday Night services—opened with congregation singing, "The Glory Land Way".

Prayer by Bro. J. D. Henson.

Devotion services conducted by Bro. Jess Henson.

Message by Rev. Norman Cathey, Scripture reading—Matt. 5th chapter.

Subject — "Where Is He that Is Born King of the Jews."

Concluded by Bro. Earl Jenson.

A song and hand shake of appreciation was extended Bro. Cathey.

Privilege of the Church was extended and 6 united with the McAlester Church.

Dismissed by Bro. Cariker.

MINISTERS AND DEACONS ROLL

Norman Cathey	McFarland, Calif. visitor
W. T. Roberts	Tulsa visitor
C. R. Fassio	McAlester
Earl Jenson	McAlester
Harry Lee	Haywood
Austin Jenson	Ulan
Jess Henson	Arpelar
C. G. Myers	Scipio

Deacons

Leo Hoover	McAlester
W. B. Bryant	McAlester
J. W. Williams	McAlester
A. E. Clark	Crowder

Statistical Report

Cross Road Church —Membership—	Paid Pastor—\$40.00
	Evangelist—\$33.90
McAlester Church —Membership— 61	
	Paid Pastor—\$1,920.00
	Evangelist—\$ 325.00

