The Green River Association of Free Will Baptists met Feb. 12, 1972, at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Glasgow, Ky., for its regular quarterly business meeting.

The Assn. was opened by singing "Stand Up For Jesus" and "Heavenly Sunlight." Bro. Paul Tidwell led in an alter of prayer.

Bro. Wm. Johnson, the host pastor, welcomed everyone and gave a short devotion from 2 Tim.2:1-4.

Moderator asked for visiting ministers to stand and be recognized.

Pulpit Committee was appointed consisting of: Bro. Ben Key, Bro. Bright and Bro. Carl Logan. All ministers were asked to stand. Committee was excused to select minister for morning message. Bro. Osborne was selected to bring the morning message.

All standing delegates were asked to rise and moderator gave them their duties to the conference.

Clerk read list of elected delegates. Moderator gave them their duties and they were seated in conference by vote. Friendship church represented by letter.

Moderator read rules of decorum. Motion made and seconded to accept them. Motion carried.

Appointments were made to fill vacancies in boards.

Presbytery Board: Bro. Wm. Johnson, Bro. Paul Tidwell and Bro. Danny Vermillion.

Board of Finance: Bro. Harvey Logan and Bro. Leonard Jolly Home Mission Board: Bro. Carl Logan

Sunday School & C.T.S. Board: Bro. Walter Thomas and Bro. Ben Key Scholarship Committee: Bro. Harvey Logan, Bro. Bright, Bro. Manuel Garrett and Bro. Walter Thomas

Business Committee: Bro. Hall, Bro. Cooper and Bro. James Burris Bro. Ray Turnage, Superintendent of the Free Will Baptist Home For Children came and gave an interesting talk concerning the Children's Home.

· Clerk was asked to read all business listed on church letters. Information was read and accepted.

Motion was made and seconded for Bro. Osborne to meet with the Presbytery Board for acceptance into the conference. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn from business for morning worship service. Motion carried.

The congregation sang "When We All Get To Heaven." Bro. Gill led in prayer. Bro. and Sis. Osborne sang "Rainbow's of Happiness" and "I Know." Bro. Osborne preached from Ephesians 4:4-6 using for a text, Who is right? After message, Bro. Osborne gave an invitation to the unsaved or anyone needing prayer. One came forward for prayer.

Moderator asked Bro. Johnson to give direction concerning the meal. Were dismissed for food and fellowship.

#### AFTERNOON

The Green River Association opened the afternoon session by singing "How Wonderful."

Bro. Crisp gave the devotion from Micah 7:7-8. Bro. Wayne Garrett led in prayer.

Clerk read church letters. Motion made and seconded to accept as information. Motion carried. Motion made and seconded to accept as read. Motion carried.

Clerk read minutes from last meeting. Motion made and seconded to accept as read. Motion carried.

Reports from boards and committees Business Committee

- 1. Recommended to give \$50.00 to Bro. Turnage for expenses to conference.
- 2. Recommended the next conference be at Louisville.
- 3. Give a rising vote of thanks to the host church.

Motion made and seconded to receive as information and vote on item by item. Motion carried.

- 1. Motion made and seconded to give \$50.00 to Bro. Turnage for expenses to conference. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion made and seconded for next conference to be at Louisville. Motion carried.
- 3. Rising vote of thanks was given to host church.

Home Mission Board: No report.

Board of Finance

Morning offering was \$24.39 total offering was \$134.391 Amount to be sent to locations are as follows: Home Mission Dept. \$11.20 26.33 Foreign Missions Bible College 26.33 Children's Home

Recommended that an additional \$50.00 be sent to the Children's Home for their General Fund.

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Motion made and seconded to accept as information and vote on item by item. Motion carried.

- 1. Motion made and seconded to accept finance report. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion made and seconded to send an additional \$50.00 to the Children's Home General Fund. Motion carried.

Presbytery Board

Bro. Carl Logan was examined and is to be ordained as deacon. Motion made and seconded to accept report. Motion carried.

Sunday School & C.T.S. Board

Reported the average attendance for the conference according to church letters and those not coming. Motion made and seconded to accept report. Motion carried.

Scholarship Committee

Had no requests for loans at this time. Offerings for the Scholarship Fund, \$87.91. Bro. Gill paid \$10.00 on loan and Patricia Cooper paid \$25.00 on loan. Amount now in Scholarship Fund is \$361.14.

Motion made and seconded to accept as information. Motion made and seconded to accept report. Motion carried.

Registration Committee

Preachers 6 Deacons 3 Delegates 17 Visitors 57 Total 83 Preacher and deacons meeting to be the 2nd. Saturday before each conference meeting. Preachers, deacons and their wives are urged to attend these meetings. Next meeting will be April 8 at 9:00 A.M. Also recommend the churches to present any candidates to be ordained to meet at the preachers and deacons meeting for examination.

Motion made and seconded to receive as information. Motion made and seconded to send candidates as requested. Motion carried.

Nominations for speaker for the May meeting was then made. Bro. Harold Harrison and Bro. Johnson from the C.T.S. Dept. were nominated. Bro. Harrison form the Sunday School Dept. was elected to be the speaker for the May meeting.

The Alton church sent request to the conference by Bro. Paul Tidwell asking the conference to assume payments on the property there and also to help them find a pastor for the church. Discussion was had concerning the matter. Bro. Tidwell said the amount still owed on the property is \$2400.00 with payments of \$60.00 per month. Bro. Vermillion suggested that if the conference should buy property that the Alton church would have to buy it back if it was to be theirs. A discussion was had as to whether the conference should attempt to do this or not. Bro. Vermillion recommended that the pastors and executive officers be sent to the church to examine the property and conditions there. Moderator appointed the following to go to Alton and examine the matter: Bro. Hall, Bro. Johnson, Bro. Osborne, Bro. Troutman, Bro. Crisp, Bro. Harvey Logan, Bro. Cooper and Bro. Jolly.

Clerk is to write them in care of Maudie Hunt to set a date for the meeting. Motion made and seconded for conference to give committee power to write check for property if need be. Motion carried.

Information was then given to conference concerning Bro. Jimmie Logan and his decision. Bro. Logan has left the Free Will Baptist Denomination and gone to a Missionary Baptist church in Rockhoe, Ky. He has relinquished his credentials and will have to appear before the Presbytery Board for re-examination before he can get them back.

Bro. Johnson asked question concerning the length of time a minister has before being dismissed.

Clerk suggested that each church bring list of names of all the preachers they have to the next conference meeting.

While the Presbytery Board met with Bro. Osborne, the Hall sisters sang "In His Hands." Also had congregational singing.

Presbytery Board then came back in and moderator asked Bro. and Sis. Osborne to come forward for right hand of fellowship and welcome into the Green River Association.

Bro. Crisp asked Bro. Carl Logan and Sis. Logan to come forward to be ordained as deacon. Bro. Crisp read scripture from 1 Tim. 3 and gave them their charge, responsibilities and faithfulness. Bro. Carl Logan was then ordained as deacon by laying on of hands and prayer led by Bro. Hall. After ordination and handshake Bro. Hall made motion to adjourn until the next meeting in May at the Louisville church. Motion seconded and carried.

Checking Account total after paying expenses to Alton is \$285.75. Home Mission Fund total after loan to Alton church of \$180.00 is \$255.57.

Feb. 26, 1972 the Executive Committee met to discuss the Alton church proper y. Bro. Logan led in prayer. Bro. Johnson acted as moderator. Had discussion about property and church membership.

Membership of 12, but all not faithful in attending.

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Possible chanches of work for preacher reported as good.

Discussion was had concerning preachers that had been there.

Discussion was had concerning each church give \$10.00 a month to help for awhile, also the conference helping.

The Green River Association of Free Will Baptists Executive Committee met with the Alton Free Will Baptist Church at 2:00 P.M. and made a loan of \$180.00 for a period of 6 months.

# May 13, 1972 (ANNUAL MEETING)

The Green River Association of Free Will Baptists met with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Louisville, Ky. on May 13, 1972 for their annual meeting.

The morning session was opened by singing "God Leads Us Along" led by Bro. Leonard Jolly. Prayer was led by Bro. A. B. Troutman.

In absence of the pastor, Bro. Crisp welcomed everyone to the church for the annual meeting.

Bro. Crisp gave the devotion from Galatians 6:1-9.

Moderator read roll call of standing delegates and their charge and duties were given.

Clerk read list of elected delegates. They were asked to stand, their charge was given and they were seated in the conference.

Moderator read rules of decorum and asked the conference to abide by them.

Roll call of boards and committees was read and appointments were made for absentees.

Presbytery Board: Bro. Osborne, Bro. Johnson, Bro. Troutman and Bro. Stump.

Board of Finance: Bro. Jones, Bro. Ford and Bro. Thomas

Home Mission Board: Bro. Lyons and Bro. Hensley.

Sunday School and C.T.S. Bro. Bright.

Scholarship Committee: Bro. Stump, Bro. Foster and Bro. Pennington.

Clerk read minutes of last meeting. Motion made and seconded to accept as read. Motion carried.

Moderator asked Registration Committee to prepare a paper for everyone to register.

Clerk read church letters. Motion made and seconded to accept as information.

Moderator appointed Business Committee consisting of: Bro. Jolly, Bro. Garrett and Bro. Smith.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn from morning session to go into morning worship. Motion carried.

Bro. Jolly lead the congregation in singing "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus." Prayer was led by Bro. Osborne.

Bro. Reeds preached an inspiring message from Deuteronomy 31:12 and Matthew 28:19-20.

Were dismissed for lunch and fellowship.

## **AFTERNOON**

The afternoon session was opened by singing "He Keeps Me Singing." The offering was lifted in the amount of \$27.38.

Reports from boards and committees

Business Committee

Recommended that the next conference be at the Brotherhood Church at Glasgow, Ky.

Motion made and seconded to have next conference at Brotherhood Church. Motion carried.

Home Mission Board

Offerings for Home Mission Fund in the amount of \$82.03 making a total now of \$337.60. Clerk gave report about meeting with the Alton church. Bro. Tidwell sent word that a mission is starting in Shepherdsville. Motion made and seconded to accept report. Motion carried.

Board of Finance

Reported that \$115.00 was received with letters and \$27.37 in offering, making a total of \$142.38.

Sent to Bible College \$30.07
Sent to Children's Home 30.07
Sent to Foreign Missions 30.07
Sent to Home Missions 11.88

Amount now in checking account is \$326.12.

Recommended to give Bro. Reeds \$50.00 to pay expenses to conference.

Motion made and seconded to accept report. Motion carried.

Presbytery Board

Recommended to give Bro. John Eldridge questionaire for license.

Bro. Gill was examined at preacher and deacons meeting and is to be ordained after business meeting today. Asked that all candidates meet at the preacher and deacons meeting. Bro. Crisp made talk concerning license and ordination of ministers. Motion made and seconded to accept report. Motion carried.

Sunday School and C.T.S. Board

Recommended that everyone follow the instructions given by Bro. Reeds. Also recommended that teacher candidates be examined. Motion made and seconded to accept report. Motion carried.

Scholarship Committee

Offerings for fund in the amount of \$98.71 making a total amount in the Scholarship Fund \$488.34 with no applications for loans. \$25.00 of this was paid by Patricia Cooper on her loan. Motion made and seconded to accept report. Motion carried.

Registration Committee

Preachers 7 Deacons 6 Delegates 17 Visitors 51 Total 81

Election of boards and committees for following year are as follows:

Moderator Bro. George Crisp
Asst. Moderator Bro. William Johnson
Clerk-Treasurer Bro. George Cooper
Asst. Clerk-Treas Bro. Don Jones

Presbytery Board

5 yrs. Bro. William Johnson

4 yrs. Bro. E. L. Hall

3 yrs. Bro. Larry Gill

2 yrs. Bro. A. B. Troutman

1 yr. Bro. George Crisp

Home Mission Board

3 hrs. Bro. Manuel Garrett

2 yrs. Bro. E. L. Hall

1 yr. Bro. Wayne Garrett

Scholarship Committee

Bro. Clifton Stump

Bro. Wayne Garrett

Bro. Charles Smith

Bro. A. B. Troutman

Bro. James Combs

Board of Finance

3 yrs. Bro. Don Jones

2 yrs. Bro. Dewey Hensley

1 yr. Bro. Oswald Jewell

Sunday School & C.T.S. Board

3 yrs. Bro. David Foster

2 yrs. Bro. Sam Ford

1 yr. Bro. W. A. Pennington

Business Committee

Bro. David Bright

Bro. Terry Kasinger

Bro. Leonard Jolly

Bro. Charles Smith

Delegates to Kentucky State Association were then chosen. Bro. Wm. Johnson and Bro. Larry Gill both volunteered to be delegates. Bro. Wayne Garrett made motion and it was seconded for moderator to give one of the delegates authority to appoint other delegates if anyone is there from the Association. Moderator appointed Bro. Johnson to do this.

Discussion was made concerning ministers cards. Motion was made and seconded to turn cards in at the morning session of the May meetings for the Presbytery Board to examine.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn for the ordination service. Motion carried.

Moderator asked Bro. Larry Gill and Sis. Gill to come forward for the charge and ordination of Bro. Gill. Bro. Crisp gave the charge and words of encouragement to Bro. and Sis. Gill. Bro. Johnson presented a Bible to Bro. Gill. Bro. Gill was then ordained by prayer and the laying on of hands.

Association was adjourned until the next meeting in August at the Brotherhood Free Will Baptist Church in Glasgow, Ky.

## August 12, 1972

The Green River Association of Free Will Baptists met August 12, 1972, at the Brotherhood Free Will Baptist Church of Glasgow, Ky.

The Association was opened with a welcome by Bro. Crisp and the congregation sang "Kneel At The Cross." Prayer was led by Bro. Hall.

Bro. Crisp gave the devotion from Acts 3.

Bro. Crisp asked the clerk to present the checks from the property that was sold by the State Association and was divided with the Association to the churches. Checks were presented to the churches present.

Moderator asked all standing delegates to rise, be recognized and their duties were given.

Clerk read list of elected delegates. They were asked to stand and their duties were given.

Moderator read rules of decorum and asked the conference to abide by them.

Moderator appointed a Pulpit Committee consisting of: Bro. Jeff Satterly, Bro. Dewey Hensley and Bro. Charles Smith.

Moderator appointed members to fill the vacancies on boards.

Presbytery Board: Bro. Danny Vermillion and Bro. Tidwell.

Board of Finance: Bro. Alvey.

Home Mission Board: Bro. Vermillion.

Sunday School & C.T.S. Board: Bro. Tidwell and Bro. Logan.

Scholarship Committee: Bro. Dewey Hensley and Bro. Bob Hayes.

Business Committee: Bro. Alvey.

Clerk read minutes from last meeting. Motion made and seconded to accept as information. Motion carried.

Clerk read church letters. Motion made and seconded to accept as read. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn from morning business to go into the worship service. Motion carried.

Bro. Jeff Satterly led the congregation in singing "Showers of Blessing." The morning offering was lifted in the amount of \$20.51.

Bro. David Foster preached the morning message from John 14:5. He gave an invitation as the congregation sang "Just As I Am."
Were dismissed for lunch and fellowship by Bro. Hall.

#### **AFTERNOON**

The afternoon session was opened by singing "Victory In Jesus" and "In The Sweet By And By." Prayer was led by Bro. Hensley.

Bro. Harvey Logan gave the devotion from Mark 5:25.

Reports from boards and committees

Business Committee

The next conference (Nov. 11) to be at the Owensboro church.

Home Missions None.

Board of Finance

Reported the amounts to be given as follows: Home Missions \$11.12 Children's Home \$25.16

Foreign Missions \$25.16

Bible College \$25.16

Presbytery Board

Reported 4 candidates examined for license to preach the gospel. Bro. Timmy Maupin, Bro. David Foster, Bro. Bob Hayes and Bro. Bennie Midciff. Motion made and seconded to grant license to these candidates. Motion carried and license granted.

Sunday School and C.T.S. Board

Suggested that each church participate in the National Sunday School Drive. Requested prayer for bus route. Bro. Crisp and Bro. Hall both made some good comments concerning the growth of Sunday Schools. Motion made and seconded to accept report and recommendations. Motion carried.

Scholarship Committee

Reported \$581.97 in treasury with no applications for loans at this time. Motion made and seconded to accept report. Motion carried.

Preacher and deacons meeting

Recommended a Bible conference for the Green River Association. Motion made and seconded to accept report as read. Motion carried. Motion made and seconded to table recommendation until the Nov. meeting. Motion carried.

Bro. Johnson suggested that we let the preacher know in advance who is going to be the speaker for the conference. Motion made and seconded to do this. Motion carried. Motion made and seconded to have an alternate and for this to be done today. Bro. Hensley nominated Bro. Bob Hayes to preach at the Nov. conference. Motion made and seconded for nominations to cease and elect by acclamation. Motion carried. Motion made and seconded for paster to be the alternate. Motion carried. Bro. Hayes to be speaker for Nov. and Bro. Hall the alternate.

Registration Committee

Ministers 8 Deacons 4 Delegates 12 Visitors 32 Total 56 Bro. Danny recommended that we have copies of questions made. Clerk is to make copies.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn from conference until Nov. at Owensboro. Motion carried and were dismissed in prayer.

Checking Account \$381.15

Home Mission Fund \$467.57

Scholarship Fund \$602.42 including interest.

The Green River Association of Free Will Baptists met Nov. 11, 1972, at the First Free Will Baptist in Owensboro for its regular quarterly meeting.

The morning session was opened by singing "Victory In Jesus." Bro. Hall, the host pastor, gave a warm welcome to all.

Bro. Crisp asked for prayer requests, and asked everyone to stand and shake hands as we sang "Amazing Grace." Then had an alter of prayer led by Bro. Vermillion.

Bro. Crisp gave devotion from Phil.2:4, concerning being directed on the right road.

Moderator asked all standing delegates to rise, be recognized and their duties were given.

Clerk read list of elected delegates. Moderator asked them to stand and their duties and responsibilities were given.

Moderator read rules of decorum and asked that we abide by the .

Moderator appointed members to fill the vacancies on boards and committees.

Presbytery Board Bro. Gill not here and left open.

Board of Finance Bro. Manuel Garrett.

Scholarship Committee Bro. Paul Tidwell, Bro. Jake Maupin and Bro. Thurman Conners.

Business Committee Bro. Henry Brown and Bro. Bobby Lyons.

Moderator asked if there were any delegates from other churches or conferences. There were none.

Clerk read church letters. Also letter from a new church and a letter from the Children's Home. Motion made and seconded to accept letters as read. Motion carried.

Moderator made comments on letter from the First Church in Glasgow, requesting that Bro. David Foster be ordained. He asked for opinion concerning this action. Moderator stated that an amendment would have to be made to do this and that it would be for this session only. Bro. Hall made motion for Bro. Foster to be ordained and Bro. Don Jones seconded motion. Bro. Dewey Hensley suggested the Presbytery Board take care of this. Motion carried and the amendment is for this session only.

Other business concerning the church in New Albany, Indiana. Mention was made that item 21 page 14 would have to be amended for this session. Motion made and seconded to make this amendment for this session because of the church that is coming into the conference, and to accept it without a pastor as of now. Motion carried.

Morning offering was lifted in the amount of \$31.02.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn for the worship service. Motion carried.

Had an alter of prayer led by Bro. Troutman. The congregation sang "Standing On The Promises."

Bro. Bob Hayes delivered the morning message from James 2:14. Were dismissed in prayer led by Bro. Cooper for lunch and fellowship.