Minutes of Second Annual Session of IDAHO ASSOCIATION

of

Free Will Baptists

Churches

MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE IDAHO ASSOCIATION OF

FREE WILL BAPTIST

November 7, 1964 The Idaho Association of Free Will Baptist's convened for it's second annual meeting in the Buhl Church at 2 P. M.

Services opened by congregation singing the song "At Calvary" under the direction of Rev. Wade Jernigan, of Jerome Idaho. Pianist Sis. Altha Rae Keifer, of Jerome Idaho. Song "Never Alone".

Bro. Rue Thomas from Twin Falls lead in prayer. Song "I'll Live On".

Rev. F.C. Zinn from Rupert was speaker, scripture was "Hosea" 10 & Verse 12.

Subject "What time is it"? Point's time to awake, time to move forward for God, time for Salvation, time to put on the whole armor of God, time to move forward for God.

"Song "Ready".

Closing Prayer by Bro. Jernigan.

The business session following with Rev. F. C. Zinn acting as Moderator as Rev. Harvey Butler, was called to California due to a death in the family.

Rev. Zinn called the association in conference. At this time letters from the churches were read by the association clerk Sis. Martha Bennett. Sis. Severe Bandy was appointed as a delegate from the Rupert church, and Bro. Gordon Bennett was appointed from the Buhl church.

Delegates Are

Rupert Church	Buhl Church
Sis. Severe Bandy	Bro. Yingst
Sis. Frank Matthews	Bro. Bob Clay
Sis. Pat Harvison	Bro. Jack Johnson
	Bro. Gordon Bennett

A motion was made and seconded to accept the letters and seat the delegates. Motion carried.

A letter from the Jerome Free Will Baptist's Mission was read petitioning the Association for membership.

A motion and second was made that the Jerome mission be accepted as a member of the "Idaho Association". Motion carried.

Delegates from Jerome. Sis. Ola Jennings ant Sis. Bertha Clemens.

Election of officers followed.	· .
Bro. Wade Jernigan was elect	ed as moderator.
Assistant Moderator	
Clerk	Sis. Martha Bennett
Assist. Clerk	
Treasure	. Sis. Ann Hayhurst

Bro. Jernigan presided as moderator for the remainder of the session.

The minutes of the last Bi-Annual meeting were read. A motion and second was made to accept the report. Motion carried.

Old business. Subject should this Association ordain Deacons that use tobacco? A motion and second was made that this old business, that was tabled until the annual meeting, be brought off the table. Motion carried. A motion and second was made that this Association would not ordain a Deacon that uses tobacco. Motion carried. A motion and second was made to amend this article of our constitution and insert the clause Pastors use tobacco, so that article would read.

This Association shall have power to discipline its Churches or unchristian conduct, a want of conformity, to the gospel order, or violation of the conditions, of this compact, and expel them in case of unsuccessful labors, to examine ministerial candidates by request of churches to which such persons belong.

To license and ordain ministers such as give evidence of being called of God, who do not use tobacco. To settle such questions of discipline and doctrine as the churches may refer to it, and transact other business as may be necessary, for the benefit of the christian faith, consistant with the liberty, and independence of the churches according to the practice of the "Free Will Baptist's" denomination, and to make any By-Law's necessary to its regulation not repugnant to this constitution. Motion carried.

A motion and second was made to make an amendment to article 7, so it reads as follows.

Each church in the Association shall have the right to select, ordain, and issue credentials to its Deacons who do not use tobacco. Motion carried.

A motion and second was made that all acting members should be in good standing. Motion carried.

A motion and second was made to amend article 2, so it reads as follows.

The acting members of this Association shall be All ordained Ministers who are in good standing, Church clerks, Oll Deacons who are in good standing are entitled to vote, every church Containing fifty members are to have three delegates, and one for every additional twenty-five members. Motion carried. A motion and second was made that this be made a part of our constition and be laid on the table until our Bi-Annual meeting. Motion carried.

Report from executive committee.

The executive committee recommended that no officers can succeed himself more than three terms of office. Motion and second was made to adopt this recommendation. Motion carried.

Considering whether a person can succeed himself on a committee. No action was taken on this matter.

Bro. Fred Keifer was elected to serve three years on the executive committee. Held over for two years Bro. Logan Yingst, and one year Bro. Ernest Hayhurst.

Bro. Rue Thomas was reconized as a visiting Minister. His membership is in New Mexico.

Sis. Ann Hayhurst gave the treasure's report as followed.

Total de	posits	,	\$423.10
Printing	minutes	***************************************	\$54.90

Sent to Executive dept. \$51.05
Sent to Co-operative plan
Sent to Foreign mission \$20.00
Sent to Home mission \$230.83
Sent to National Association
Leaving a balance of
Total received from each church.
Jerome Mission \$122.25
Buhl Church \$116.07
Rupert Church \$123.17
A motion and second was made that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

The moderator informed the executive committee that they should have a written report so the clerk would have it to read. A motion and second was made that the modertor appoint committees. Motion carried. Resolutions committee appointed, Bro. Zinn, Bro. Jack Johnson, and Bro. Louis Hayhurst.

Obituary committee Sis. Severe Bandy, Sis. Ola Jennings, Sis. Pat Harvison. This committee is appointed annually.

The Jerome mission extended the invitation for the Association to meet with them for the next Byannual meeting. The invitation was accepted by the body. The next meeting to be the first Saturday after the first Sunday in May. To be held in Jerome Idaho.

The speakers elected for the next session are.

Opening message - Bro. Harvey Butler. Second Speaker - Bro. Wade Jernigan.

Bro. Jernigan encouraged all the Pastors and all laymen of all the churches to support all phases

of the work and to send all money through the Association.

Announcement was made that the quota for Ida. is \$200.00 for the Bible College.

Bro. Jernigan was granted the privilege of taking an offering at the close of the evening session. This offering was to go to the Bible College.

A motion and second was made to adjourn, Motion carried.

Supper was served by the ladies from the Buhl Church in the Church basement at 6 P.M. At 7 P.M. the Association reconvened for the remainder of the session.

Bro. Frank Matthews lead the congregation in singing the song, "Kneel At The Cross".

Sis. Roszell Harvison lead in prayer.

The moderator declared the body to be back in conference.

Sis. Ola Jennings gave the report on the obituary committee reporting that Bro. E.B. Webb, a member of the Buhl Church passed away July 4th 1964. Bro. Louis Hayhurst and Bro. Gordon Bennett lead in prayer.

Resolution committee had no report.

Bro. Louis Hayhurst offered his resignation as assistant moderator. A motion and second was made to accept his resignation. Motion carried.

Bro. Ernest Hayhurst was elected as assistant

moderator.

A motion and second was made to have 100 minutes printed. Motion carried.

A motion and second was made that each church bring an offering to the Semi-Annual Meeting. Motion carried.

Bro. Zinn reported the Rupert church was sending Bro. Marvin Mills to meet with the executive committee and the executive to report to the body next semi-annual meeting.

Bro. Jernigan appointed a Deacons committee to meet on Friday night before the first Saturday in February. The member's are.

Bro. Logan Yingst Buhl
Bro. Frank Matthew Rupert
Bro. Fred Keifer Jerome

Place to meet in the Rupert Church.

A motion and second was made that we adjourn the Association and meet with the Jerome mission in May. Motion carried.

Song "Joy Unspeakable".

Offering then taken for the Bible College. Bro. Fred Keifer, and Bro. Gordon Bennett assisted in taking the offering. Offering totaled \$23.50

Bro. Jernigan brought the closing message. Scripture used was Acts 16; 1-5. High points of the message were Co-operation and unity needful in establishing churches and maintaining them.

The men that are set in the church as leaders should be chosen men, chosen of God, and chosen by

the church, loved men, courageous men capable men who will keep the decrees that have been delivered unto the church, then will come the increase.

Prayer by Bro. Jernigan at the close of the message.

Announcements:

Revival in Buhl church November 15, 1964.

The Jerome church is building a new Church in Jerome. They need your help on the building.

A revival to start in Rupert on December 28th, with Rev. Cliff Bowmen from Wainsville. Missouri. Benediction by Bro. Logan Yingst.

Association Clerk Martha Bennett

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION IDAHO ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS CHURCHES

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called the Idaho Association of Free Will Baptists and shall be composed of such consistant, well regulated Free Will Baptist Churches as shall unite in this compact and agree to this constitution. All Churches affiliated with this Association shall be required to adopt the Treaties of Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists as adopted by the National Association.

ARTICLE II. This article amended. The acting members of this Association shall be, all ordained Ministers who are in good standing, Church Clerks, all Deacons who are in good standing are entitled to vote. Every Church containing fifty members are to have three delegates, and one for every additional twenty-five members.

ARTICLE III. The officers of this Association shall be a moderator, assistant moderator and Clerk-Treasurer which shall be elected at the annual session. Each officer is to continue in office until his successor is chosen and qualifies and shall perform such duties as usually devolve upon such officers.

ARTICLE IV. Any regular organized Free Will Baptist Church maintaining gospel order, agreeing with the denomination in doctrines and practices, and in favor of benevolent enterprises - as Sunday Schools, Missions, Temperance, and Education - may be recieved into this Association on

application, by a majority vote of the Association.

ARTICLE V. This article amended. This Association shall have power to discipline its Churches for unchristian conduct, a want of conformity to gospel order, or a violation of the conditions of this compact, and expel them in case of unsuccessful labors; to examine ministerial candidates by request of Churches to which such persons belong; to license and ordain ministers, such as give evidence of being qualified and called of God, who do not use tobacco; to settle such questions of discipline and doctrine as the Church may refer to it, and transact other business as may be necessary for the benefit of the Christian faith, consistant with the liberty and independence of the Churches according to the practices of the Free Will Baptist denomination; and to make any By-Laws necessary to its regulation not repugnant to this constitution.

ARTICLE VI. This Association shall elect an Examining Board of three members whose duty it is to set up requirements for license and ordination, subject to the approval of the Association; to examine candidates for the ministry; and to make recommendations concerning requests for license, or renewal of license, being held at the annual meeting and so arranged that one member is elected each year.

ARTICLE VII. Amended article. Each Church in this Association shall have the right to select ordain, and issue credentials to its Deacons, who do not use tobacco.

ARTICLE VIII. Each member shall report to this

Association at each session its statistics on a form provided by this Association.

- ARTICLE IX. The regular sessions of this Association shall convene on Friday night and Saturday following the first Sunday in May and November. The November meeting shall be considered the annual meeting.
- ARTICLE X. This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present, provided amendment or alteration was presented in writing at the last session of the Association.

BY-LAWS

- 1. Each session of this Association shall be called to order by the clerk, or in his absence by his representative, who shall announce the order of business.
- 2. The Association shall determine when its daily sessions shall open and close with suitable devotions to God.
- 3. A majority of all the Churches in good standing, which are registered as members of this Association must be represented for a quorum.
- 4. This Association may hold correspondence by messengers, or other wise, with any other religious body as it may deem advisable.
- 5. Any person not a delegate to this Association may be allowed to take part in its discussions by obtaining permission of the modertor, but such

person shall not be allowed to vote.

- 6. It shall be the duty of all delegates to the Association to be present at the appointed time for each session and give strict attention to all business. No delegate shall absent himself from this Association during its session without first obtaining leave of the moderator.
- 7. Every member wishing to speak shall first address the moderator, but no person shall be allowed to speak more than five minutes at any time, nor more than twice on any one subject, with out permission of the body.
- 8. The moderator may appoint Committees as needed.
- 9. This Association shall be governed by the rules of parliamentary law as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order except in those cases where some rules may be superceded by some rule of this Association.
- 10. These by-laws may be amended or altered at any regular session by a majority vote of delegates present, provided amendment or alteration was presented in writing to the body one day in advance.