

The Program Committee is to consist of Moderator, and Assistant Moderator with Mrs. Reba Ritter and Mrs. Zola McClerren being elected to serve on Committee.

Motion sustained that the Clerk and Treasurer be paid \$25.00 annually.

Motion sustained that Jesse Boswell be paid \$25.00 for services rendered in 1960.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Moderator: Claude Childers

Ass't Mod.: Claude Hampleman

Clerk: Irene Sullivan

## **ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS PROCEEDINGS**

**Friday Morning, June 23, 1961**

The first annual session of the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists convened in the Tabernacle in West City, Illinois.

Services were opened by singing, "Blessed Assurance."

Prayer by Rev. Bobby Wright.

Devotions Rev. Cecil Walker. Scripture: Matthew 5:1-16.

Motion sustained to accept the programs and comply to them as nearly as possible.

The Constitution and By-Laws were read.

Reports from the Canaan District Association and the Southern Illinois Yearly Conference were read.

Upon checking and proving a quorum was present the moderator then proceeded with the business at hand.

Motion sustained to accept the reading of the letters and seat the delegates.

Motion carried.

The following committees were then appointed by the moderator.

Memorial Committee: Emily Malone and Juanita Smith.

Resolutions Committee: Eddie Hollis, Mildred Sanders and Janice Coulson.

Business Committee: Rev. David Shores, Rev. Cecil Walker and Rev. Bobby Wright.

Credentials Committee Rev. Wallace Malone, Vard Roberts and Rev. Charles Osborne.

Auditing Committee: Rev. Lawrence Thompson, Mrs. Dempsey Tucker and Mrs. Marjorie Neil.

Nominating Committee: Rev. John Hiltibidal, James Coulson and Rev. Les Elliott.

Dismissal prayer by Rev. Charles Osborne.

Recess.

The eleven o'clock services were opened with congregational singing.

Songs "Bringing In the Sheaves" and "Jesus Saves."

Prayer: Rev. Harrison.

Sermon: Rev. Wallace Malone. Scripture: Acts 3.

Dismissal prayer by Rev. Thomas Willey.

#### Friday Afternoon, June 23

Services were opened at 1:30 p. m. with congregational singing "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms."

Prayer: Rev. C. J. Ketteman.

Devotional by Rev. Floyd Hartley. Scripture: Psalms 91.

The following reports were then given:

Woman's Auxiliary by Mrs. Hiley Malone.

Woman's Auxiliary financial report by Mrs. Gene Norris.

Foreign Missions report by Rev. Leon McBride.

A partial report of the Business Committee was given. Motion sustained that we accept this partial report.

Motion sustained that item one of the Business Committee's report be tabled regarding Article II, Section 1 of the By-Laws. Motion lost, 7-16.

Motion sustained to adopt item one of the report of the Business Committee.

Auditing Committee gave its report and was approved.

Report of the Sunday School Alliance by Rev. David Shores.  
Report accepted.

Dismissal prayer by Mrs. Hiley Malone.

#### Friday Evening, 7:30 p. m.

Services were opened with congregational singing.

Song: "He Keeps Me Singing."

Prayer: Rev. Oran Kersh.

Special Music: The Gospel Four from the Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, South Roxana, Illinois.

Congregational singing: "His Way With Thee."

Prayer: Rev. Rolla Smith.

Sermon: Rev. George W. Waggoner. Scripture: Matt. 5:4.

Upon concluding the sermon, Rev. Charles Osborne was called upon to offer prayer of dedication.

Dismissal Prayer: Vard Roberts.

#### Saturday Morning, June 24

Services were opened with congregational singing.

Song: "Showers of Blessing."

Prayer: Rev. Charles Waggoner.

Devotions: Rev. Les Elliott. Scripture: Luke 9:23-25.

Motion sustained to accept the program for the day's business activities.

The clerk then gave a report of the ministers and deacons who are in good standing with their Church and the State Association.

The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Claude Hampleman.

Motion sustained that the treasurer's report be accepted.

Motion sustained that a letter of appreciation be written to W. G. Eovaldi, attorney, for assisting us in our organizing into a State Association. There was no fee for his services.

The following reports were given by the delegates to the National Association of Free Will Baptists which convened in Fresno, California, in July, 1960.

Report of W.N.A.C. by Mrs. Gene Norris.

Report of the National Association by Mrs. Claude Childers.

Motion sustained that the National Association delegates' report be accepted.

The following visitors were then recognized by the moderator:

Rev. Rolla Smith, Promotional Director of Foreign Missions for the National Association; Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Willey, Senior Missionaries to Cuba; and Rev. Roger Reeds, a St. Louis pastor and secretary of the National Association Sunday School Board.

A report of the "500 Club" was given by Rev. Lawrence Thompson.

Motion sustained that we accept this report.

Motion sustained that the special meetings of the executive board be approved.

Dismissal prayer by Rev. Everett Beaty.

Recess.

The eleven o'clock services were opened by singing "Rescue the Perishing."

Prayer: Rev. Roger Reed.

Sermon: Rev. Rolla Smith. Scripture: II Kings 7:9.

Dismissal prayer: Mrs. Eddie Hollis.

#### **Saturday Afternoon, 1:30 p. m.**

Services were opened by singing "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning."

Prayer: Rev. Charles Waggoner.

Devotions: Rev. Guy Terry. Scripture: Hebrews 12:1.

The report of the Memorial Committee was given by Mrs. Hiley Malone. Motion sustained to accept this report. There was then a moment of silent prayer in memory of those who had passed away.

Report of the Closing Resolutions Committee by Mrs. Eddie Hollis. Motion sustained to accept report.

Report of the Credentials Committee was given by Rev. Wallace Malone. Motion sustained to accept report.

Rev. George W. Waggoner then made a motion to elect the following as delegates to the National Association. Mrs. Leon McBride, Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey Tucker, Mrs. Betty Hampleman, and Lawrence Thompson.

Motion seconded by Rev. Claude Hampleman. Motion carried.

A motion then prevailed to take an offering to help pay the expenses of these delegates to the National Association.

Offering was received which amounted to \$100.58. Rev. Leon McBride then offered prayer of thanksgiving and blessing on the offering.

Report of the Business Committee was given and Rev. Dwight Dame moved that it be received and seconded by Rev. C. J. Kettman. Motion carried.

Motion sustained to adopt Business Committee resolutions.

Motion sustained that the clerk write the president of the State Fair Board opposing the sale of alcoholic beverages at the State Fair.

Motion sustained that the Clerk be instructed to write the proper Authorities opposing the lowering of the age limit for male drinkers.

Motion sustained to accept the resignation of Rev. Claude Childers from his position on the State Home Mission Board.

Motion sustained that one thousand (1,000) copies of the Constitution and By-Laws be printed.

Motion sustained that the executive board form a letter which could be used by the churches in writing to the Quarterly Meetings, District or Yearly Conference, and the State Association.

Motion sustained that a picture of the executive board appear in the State Minutes.

Report of the Nominating Committee was given.

Rev. Lawrence Thompson then moved that it be received.

Motion carried.

Brother Mont Davis, Sr., was nominated to serve on the Program Committee. Brother Davis was elected by acclamation.

Motion sustained that Rev. Cecil Walker and Rev. Clifford Hicks be placed on the executive board.

Rev. George E. Ritter was re-elected to serve on the State Home

Mission Board and Rev. Everett Beaty to finish the unexpired term of Rev. Claude Childers.

Rev. Claude Hampleman nominated Rev. Lawrence Thompson to serve as State Director of Home Missions. Rev. Thompson was duly elected.

Motion sustained that Rev. Lawrence Thompson be requested to serve on the General Board of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Rev. Roger Reeds then talked briefly concerning the work of the National Sunday School Board.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Robert Thullier, Rev. Claude Childers, Moderator  
Laird Dean, Rev. Claude Hampleman, Ass't Moderator  
Beathel Jones, Jesse Boswell, Clerk

Jennie Watkins, Union Church  
Albert Watkins, Union Church  
Lester Holbrook and Carrie, Union Church  
Edna Marks, Union Church  
Grace Hicks, Union Church  
Margaret Frazer, Ida Church  
Guy Odle, Johnston City Church  
Billie Williams, Johnston City Church  
Lola Cox Hostle, Johnston City Church  
Robert Jackson, Johnston City Church  
Mary Rea, Rescue Church  
Rev. Jack Eden, Rescue Church  
Arthur Sanders, Pleasant View Church  
Oscar Page, Plasters Grove Church  
Ralph Parker, Plasters Grove Church  
Rev. J. P. Cairsey, Plasters Grove Church  
Richard Dunderik, Arnold View Church  
Opal Kelly, Arnold View Church  
Harrison Hicks, Webb's Prairie Church  
Clayton Hickney, Webb's Prairie Church

Committee  
Emily Malone  
Jussita Smith

## REPORTS OF ASSOCIATIONAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

### Memorial Committee

We the Memorial Committee of the first annual meeting of the State Association of Free Will Baptists do hereby offer our sympathy to those who have lost friends and loved ones.

Joe Presley, Mt. Vernon Church  
Nellie Humphrey, Mt. Vernon Church  
Bobbie Beasley, Mt. Vernon Church  
John A. Webb, Bear Point Church  
H. Upton, Bear Point Church  
Will Jent, Harmony Church, West Frankfort  
Robert Thulliez, Harmony Church, West Frankfort  
Lois Dean Parton, Union Church  
Reathel Jones, Union Church  
Jennie Watkins, Union Church  
Albert Watkins, Union Church  
Lester Holbrook and Carrie, Union Church  
Edna Marks, Union Church  
Grace Hicks, Union Church  
Margaret Frazer, Ina Church  
Gary Odle, Johnston City Church  
Billie Williams, Johnston City Church  
Lulu Cox Heath, Johnston City Church  
Robert Jackson, Johnston City Church  
Mary Rea, Rescue Church  
Rev. Jack Eden, Rescue Church  
Arthur Sanders, Pleasant View Church  
Cabot Page, Plasters Grove Church  
Ralph Parker, Plasters Grove Church  
Rev. J. P. Lairsey, Plasters Grove Church  
Richard Bundren, Arnold View Church  
Opal Kelly, Arnold View Church  
Harrison Hicks, Webbs Prairie Church  
Gladys Blokesy, Webbs Prairie Church

Committee:

Emily Malone

Juanita Smith

## Resolutions Committee

We the Resolutions Committee, present the following resolutions:

1. Appreciation to Rev. Leon McBride for the wonderful way in which he conducted the services.
2. To give thanks to Jess Boswell for the time and efforts he puts out in keeping the records.
3. Deep appreciation to the following Churches for their wonderful hospitality shown through this meeting: Hazel Dell, Oak Grove, Bear Point, Rescue, Arnold View, Harmony, Union and Johnston City.
4. Appreciation to those who helped in any way.

Signed:

Eddie Hollis

Mildred Sanders

Janice Coulson

## Business Committee

We the Business Committee, make the following recommendations:

Item I. That Ministers Cards of good standing passed from the State Association be granted on reports channeled through subordinate bodies beginning with recommendations from the local church of which he is a member and endorsed by the Quarterly and District, or Yearly, of which his church is a member.

Item II. That requirements for Minister's Cards of good standing be as follows:

Section 1. Minister must make an annual report of past year's activities.

Section 2. Must preach a minimum of twelve sermons during the past twelve months unless physically handicapped or over sixty-five years of age.

Section 3. Must not take part in practices repugnant to the Free Will Baptist Doctrine, such as:

- A. Sanctification as a definite second work of Grace.
- B. Oneness rather than the Trinity.
- C. Unknown tongues as commonly recognized.



D. Positional Eternal Security of the believer rather than provisional security as taught by the scriptures and recognized in our Treatise.

Item III. We recommend that all of our churches be encouraged to support our State Co-operative Plan.

Item IV. Concerning Co-operative Plan:

Section 1. That the Co-operative Plan receipts be divided with sixty per cent going to our national work and forty per cent being retained for work in Illinois to be allocated as follows:

State Association General Fund to receive .....	50%
Sunday School Alliance to receive .....	40%
Bible College Fund to receive .....	10%

These allocations to be in effect until the State Home Mission Board places a man on the field at which time the following allocation is recommended to become effective:

State Association General Fund to receive .....	30%	12
State Home Mission Board to receive .....	40%	14
Sunday School Alliance to receive .....	25%	10
Bible College Fund to receive .....	5%	2

~~Item V.~~ At the request of the Canaan District and the Southern Illinois Yearly Conference, we recommend that this State Association give authority to the Executive Board and the State Home Mission Board to employ the services of a minister to organize and establish new work in Illinois.

Item VI. At the request of the Southern Illinois Yearly Meeting, we recommend that this Association accept the lease of the new Administration Building site from the Sunday School Alliance thereby assuming ownership and responsibility of the building.

Item VII. That this Association pay our clerk an annual salary of \$50.00 and our treasurer an annual salary of \$100.00. We also recommend that this Association purchase an adding machine for use by our treasurer.

Signed:

Rev. David Shores

Rev. Cecil Walker

Rev. George E. Ritter

Committee

## Credentials Committee

We, the Credentials Committee, have received the annual report and have found they have complied with the requests of this Association and recommend the following names be granted Cards of good standing with the exception of Bro. Charles Price who is having difficulties in finding records of his Ordination. We recommend this matter be referred to the West Central Quarterly Meeting and the State Association will act according to their disposition in this matter.

Leslie Elliott, Waconda, Illinois  
Cecil I. Hall, Thebes, Illinois  
George W. Waggoner, Route 4, Mt. Vernon, Illinois  
Leon McBride, Walnut Hill, Illinois  
John W. Hiltibidal, Centralia, Illinois  
Ella Mae Hiltibidal, Centralia, Illinois  
Emma Moore, 3200 Sheridan Rd., Springfield, Illinois  
Oran Kersh, 507 S. 20th St, Mt. Vernon, Illinois  
Dewey Merritt, 2503 Casey Ave., Mt. Vernon, Illinois  
Paul Sulcer, Ashley, Illinois  
Charles Osborn, 296 Anderson Terr. S. Des Plaines, Illinois  
Pauline Osborn, 296 Anderson Terr. S. Des Plaines, Illinois  
C. J. Kettelman, Ewing, Illinois  
Claude Hampleman, Sesser, Illinois  
Melvin Oathout, Belle Rive, Illinois  
Arthur W. Kern, Belle Rive, Illinois  
Dwight Dame, Sesser, Illinois  
Louie Hanna, Scheller, Illinois  
Alene Hanna, Scheller, Illinois  
Lawrence Thompson, Sesser, Illinois  
James Fite, Sesser, Illinois  
Albert Bays, Sesser, Illinois  
David Shores, Mt. Vernon, Illinois  
Jasper Armstrong, 804 W. Webster, Benton, Illinois  
Lloyd J. Lasley, Glen St., Benton, Illinois  
Fred Pearson, Route 3, Benton, Illinois  
Gilbert King, RFD 9, Box 29, McHenry, Illinois  
Hazel Buick, RFD 9, McHenry, Illinois  
Clifford Hicks, Waltonville, Illinois  
Floyd Hartley, Scheller, Illinois

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Jesse K. Webb, 1215 Forest Ave., Mt. Vernon, Illinois  
 Bobby G. Wright, 16 Agnes Dr., East St. Louis, Illinois  
 Charles Price, 2925 Warren, Granite City, Illinois  
 Marshall Hamilton, 1516 Monee Rd., Monee, Illinois  
 Geraldine Lewis, 1514 Thorn St., Chicago Heights, Illinois  
 Vivian Dunning, 193 Interoccean Ave., S. Chicago Heights, Illinois  
 Sherman Ashby, 3036 Jackson Ave., S. Chicago Heights, Illinois  
 Tom Malone, 3801 Richland Ave., Nashville, Tennessee  
 Wallace Malone, Prairie Ave., S. Roxana, Illinois  
 Jesse Allen, Bonnie, Illinois  
 Floyd Kash, Ina, Illinois  
 June Hall, 311 S. Poplar St., Centralia, Illinois  
 A. E. Norris, Route 3, Benton, Illinois  
 Leo Grider, Marion, Illinois  
 Claude Childers, Johnston City, Illinois  
 Johnny Holmes, 713 Eads St., Benton, Illinois  
 Howard Flota, RFD 1, Mt. Vernon, Illinois  
 L. E. Abel, 902 Conger Ave., Mt. Vernon, Illinois  
 Cloy Myers, Thebes, Ill.  
 Charles Waggoner, Ava, Illinois  
 George E. Ritter, RFD 4, Marion, Illinois  
 Guy Terry, 1200 W. Stockton, Marion, Illinois  
 O. C. McClerren, RFD 1, Thompsonville, Illinois  
 James Hicks, Waltonville, Illinois  
 Janice Blades, RFD 1, Marion, Illinois  
 Gene Blades, RFD 1, Dahlgren, Illinois  
 James Coulson, RFD 1, West Frankfort, Illinois  
 Cecil C. Walker, 825 W. Lyndell St., West Frankfort, Illinois  
 C. A. Curry, RFD 3, Thompsonville, Illinois  
 Irene Sullivan, Valier, Illinois  
 Shermon Sullivan, Valier, Illinois  
 Everett Beaty, Ewing, Illinois  
 Byford Campbell, Ina, Illinois

Signed:

Rev. Wallace Malone

Bro. Vard Roberts

Rev. Charles Osborne

## Auditing Committee

We, the Auditing Committee, have examined the books of the State Association Treasurer and find they are in order. We wish to take this opportunity to commend Mrs. Hampleman for the competent way in which she has kept the records.

Signed:

Lawrence Thompson

Mrs. Dempsey Tucker

Marjorie Neal

## Nominating Committee

We, the members of the Nominating Committee, make the following nominations:

Program Committee: Mont Davis and Neal Sulcer

Executive Board, three years: Rev. Cecil Walker and Rev Clifford Hicks.

Moderator: Rev. Wallace Malone

Assistant Moderator: Rev. James Hicks

Clerk: Rev. Gene Norris

Assistant Clerk: Rev. George W. Waggoner

Treasurer: Mrs. Claude Hampleman

State Home Missions Board: Rev. George E. Ritter, five years;  
Rev. Everett Beaty, three years.

State Home Mission Director: Rev. Lawrence Thompson

General Board of Nat'l Association: Rev. Lawrence Thompson

# TREASURER'S REPORT OF ILLINOIS FREE WILL BAPTIST STATE ASSOCIATION

## Receipts

Bal. bro't forward ---\$	38.18	Pleasant View -----	845.50
Arnold View -----	93.51	New Hope -----	310.41
Bakerville -----	434.63	Oak Grove -----	218.00
Bear Point -----	1,029.35	Oakland -----	12.00
Bethel -----	938.69	Oak Valley -----	475.76
Busby Chapel -----	25.00	Rescue -----	72.87
Des Plaines -----	129.82	Rock Springs -----	10.00
Faith -----	82.00	Salem -----	220.66
Freedom -----	35.00	St. Charles -----	100.38
Harmony -----	197.00	Union -----	261.11
Blue Point -----	1,337.97	Waltonville -----	473.43
Hazel Dell -----	556.07	Webbs Prairie -----	606.26
Hoits Addition -----	12.31	West Central -----	151.40
Ina -----	1,700.92	East Central -----	76.00
Mt. Zion -----	176.00	South Central -----	51.84
Johnston City -----	404.57	State Association -----	55.94
Liberty -----	22.50	State Ladies Auxiliary -----	15.00
Mt. Vernon -----	152.00	Youth Camp -----	76.35
Nason -----	154.26	Missionary Offering --	57.46
Pittsburg -----	7.00	Unknown Church -----	7.00
Plasters Grove -----	15.00		
		Total -----	\$11,639.15

# TREASURER'S REPORT OF ILLINOIS FREE WILL BAPTIST WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

## Stewardship of Finances

Number of Auxiliary \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Officers \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Members \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Conventions \_\_\_\_\_

154

74

13

78

## Disbursements

National	\$ 3,568.74	Home for Children,	
Sun. School Alliance	959.19	Greenville, Tenn.	36.74
Ill. Home Missions	790.60	Missionary Conference	40.00
Ill. Bible College	367.98	L. S. Wood Printing	
Adult Camp	111.93	Co., 750 ordination	
Foreign Missions	1,236.71	certificates	40.00
Free Will Baptist Bible		Benton Comm. Bank,	
College	285.15	printed checks	3.73
Nat'l Home Missions	443.65	George Waggoner,	
Lavern Miley, Mission-		phone calls, mimeo-	
ary to Africa	1,569.96	graphing, etc.	68.87
Wesley Calvery, Mis-		Sesser post office,	
sionary to Japan	785.04	stamps	4.10
Fred Hersey, Mission-		Ina post office, stamps	4.00
ary to Japan	111.42	L. S. Wood Printing	
Thomas Willey, Mis-		Co., 200 exhorter	
sionary to Cuba	1,085.59	licenses	36.00
Arizona Mexico Mis-		Slankard Printers,	
sion	46.25	1500 tags, visitors,	
League	30.00	delegated, ministers	13.50
		Total	\$11,639.15

Signed: Mrs. Betty Hampleman

Signed: Mrs. Gene Norris

# TREASURER'S REPORT OF ILLINOIS FREE WILL BAPTIST WOMANS AUXILIARY

## Stewardship of Possessions:

Number of Auxiliary members contributing to Missions .....	154
Number of tithers on roll at beginning of Convention year .....	74
Number of new tithers this convention year .....	13
Present number of tithers .....	78

## Financial Report:

W. N. A. C. Co-Laborer Fund .....	\$ 24.88
Easter offering for Foreign Missions .....	88.62
Thanksgiving offering for State Home Missions .....	15.00
Christmas offering for National Home Missions .....	152.80
Cash gifts to Orphanage .....	79.80
Value of boxes to Orphanage .....	38.00
Cash gifts to Free Will Baptist Bible College .....	57.00
Total gifts to Missions sent to W.N.A.C. Treasurer this convention year .....	1,030.06
G. T. A.s .....	25.00
Total per capita representation fee sent to W.N.A.C. Treasurer this convention year .....	17.60
Total amount spent for Auxiliary Literature .....	156.24
Total amount spent this year for local church activities .....	350.00

## Amount sent to each of the following accounts:

Willey's .....	\$102.06
Children's Home .....	111.87
Student Loan .....	14.00
F.W.B. Bible C. ....	126.87
National Project .....	507.88
Foreign Missions .....	283.62
Home Mission .....	20.00
Youth Camp .....	111.86
Herseys .....	265.00
Mileys .....	20.00
Ellistons .....	460.81

Total in Treasury at present ..... \$ 91.64

Signed: Mrs. Gene Norris

## FOREIGN MISSION REPORT OF ILL. STATE ASSOCIATION

Foreign Mission general fund .....	\$ 1,236.71
Mileys .....	1,570.16
Calverys .....	785.04
Herseys .....	111.42
Willey's .....	1,085.59
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Total .....	\$ 4,788.92

Signed: Rev. Leon McBride

## FINANCIAL REPORT OF ILLINOIS STATE FREE WILL BAPTIST HOME MISSIONS BOARD

### Receipts

Balance on hand August 20, 1960 .....	\$ 4,656.74
Illinois State Association .....	661.62
Bear Point Church .....	75.00
"100 Club" .....	140.00
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Total .....	\$ 5,533.36

### Disbursements

Granite City Church .....	\$ 500.00
Traveling expense .....	17.30
Decatur Church .....	500.00
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Total .....	\$ 1,017.30

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Balance on hand June 23, 1961 .....

\$ 4,516.06

Signed: Rev. George E. Ritter