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NASHVILLE, TENN. 37205

1964
MINUTES

OF THE

**ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS**



Minutes of

**CANAAN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS YEARLY MEETING**



Constitution and By-Laws of
State Association

FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION
of the
ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS



Friday Morning, June 26, 1964

Congregational Singing: "There Shall Be Showers of Blessings", directed by Rev. George Ritter.

Prayer: Rev. Wallace Malone.

Devotions: Rev. David Shores, Amos 6:1.

Meeting called to order by Moderator.

Credential Committee appointed: Bro. C. Hicks, Bill Turnbough, C. Gulley.

Committee on Committees: Wallace Malone, Bill Buster and Elmer Turnbough.

Motion, second, and carried to dispense with reading of Constitution and By-Laws.

Report of Women's Auxiliary given by Mrs. Maxine Hicks, State President.

Enlistment Work Done:

1. To win new members, 0
2. To bring back absentees, 0
3. Members beginning convention year, 186
4. Members end convention year, 179

Youth Work Done:

1. In interest of YPA, 1
In interest of GTA, 2
In interest of GA,
2. To promote Vacation Bible School, 6
Church Libraries, 4

3. To aid Bible College Students, 10
4. Other, Youth Rally, League, Youth Fellowship, Youth Revivals, Missionary Midgets, 1

Study Course Work Done:

1. Classes:
 - Missions, 0
 - Stewardship, 1
 - Evangelism, 2
 - Prayer, 2
 - Youth
 - Other
2. Reading Circles
3. Daily Bible Readers, 44

Program-Prayer Work Done:

1. Studied Program
2. Observed Week of Prayer, 21
3. Family Altars, 43
4. Prayer Fellowship, 53

Personal Service Work Done:

1. Soul-Winning Efforts, 63
 - Personal Contacts, 7
 - No. Souls Won, 11
2. Community Mission Activities
 - Visited the Sick, 52
 - Gave Garments, trays, baskets to needy, 10
 - Participated in Red Cross Work
 - Participated in WCTU
 - Distributed Bibles
 - Distributed Tracts, 25
3. Children's Home Contributions:
 - Clothing, \$328.10
 - Commodities
 - Equipment
 - Donating Coupons

Publicity Work Done:

1. Articles Published, 18
2. Subscribers to Denominational Papers:
 - Contact, The Free Will Baptist, The Free Will Baptist Gem, Other Free Will Baptist Publications, 160
3. Other Publicity Work Done:
 - Posters Made, 3
 - Letters Written, 6

ILLINOIS STATE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY TREASURER'S REPORT

May 1, 1963 Thru May 14, 1964

Balance in treasury May 1, 1963\$ 118.28

Money received from May 1, 1963 thru
May 14, 1964 as follows:

W. N. A. C. Land Project in Hawaii .. 389.48

FOREIGN MISSIONS:

General Fund	108.94
Hersey Fund	391.45
C. E. R. F. Florida	165.00
Dr. LaVerne Miley's Fund	444.82
Bill Phipps Fund	20.03
Herbert Waids Fund	19.93
Ken Eagletons Fund	79.18
Brazil Bible Institute	14.78
Tom Willey's Jr. Fund	26.50
Dave Franks Fund	26.50

HOME MISSIONS:

State	\$ 50.90
National	80.42
Youth Camp	164.67
Children's Home	206.39
Bible College	151.99
Co-labor Fund	59.16
Youth Fellowship	12.00
Per Capita Tax 63-64	81.16
Offering at 1963 State Convention	33.48
Jimmy Beaty for Education	36.97

Total Receipts\$2,682.03

DISBURSEMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

WNAC Land Project for Hawaii ..\$389.48

Bible College 151.99

Eunice Edwards expenses to 1963

State	45.00
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Per Capita Tax 1963	21.00
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Foreign Missions:

General Fund	108.94
Hersey Fund	391.45
CERF Florida	165.00
LaVerne Miley Fund	444.82
Bill Phipps Fund	20.03
Herbert Waids Fund	19.93
Ken Eageltons Fund	79.18
Brazil Bible Institute	14.78
Tom Willey Jr. Fund	26.50
Dave Franks Fund	26.50

Home Missions:

State	50.90
National	80.42
Youth Camp	164.67
Co-Labor	59.16
Youth Fellowship	8.28
Jimmy Beaty for Education	37.00
Children's Home	216.39
Per Capita Tax 1964	19.60
Total Disbursements	\$2,541.02
Total Balance May 14, 1964	\$ 141.01

Respectfully Submitted,
Aileen Spann, Treasurer

ANNUAL REPORT

I. STEWARDSHIP OF POSSESSIONS:

Number of Auxiliary members contributing to
Missions, 166
Number of tithers on roll at beginning of Con-
vention year, 82
Number of tithers as a result of Stewardship
Study Courses, 0
Number of new tithers this convention year, 4
Present number of tithers, 86

II. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Amount of offering sent to WNAC Co-Laborer
Fund, \$59.16.
Amount of offering sent to Student Loan Fund.
Amount of offering for Foreign Missions,
\$1,297.13.
Amount of Thanksgiving offering for State
Home Missions, \$50.90.
Amount of Christmas offering for National
Home Missions, \$80.42.
Cash gifts to orphanage, \$216.39.
Value of boxes to orphanage, \$285.50.
Cash gifts to Free Will Baptist Bible College,
\$151.99.
Total Gifts to Missions sent to WNAC Treas-
urer this convention year; by Woman's Aux-
iliary, \$377.55, GTA, YPA;
Cash gifts to aged Ministers \$.....

Total Per Capita representation fee sent to WNAC
Treasurer this convention year: By Woman's
Auxiliary\$ 19.90
Total amount spent for auxiliary
literature\$271.90

Total amount spent this convention year for
local church activities\$515.59
Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Aileen Spann
Sesser, Illinois

Greetings were brought to us from Bro. Ken Riggs, Director of our new Youth Program, from Nashville, Tennessee.

Greetings were brought to us from Bro. Jim Lauthern, Business Manager of the Sunday School Department, Nashville, Tennessee.

Greetings were brought to us from Bro. Paul Kettelman, Promotion man for the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee.

Greetings were brought to us from our Home Missionary Bro. Bill Buster.

Reports of the Executive Committee meetings for 1963-64 were read by the Clerk:

First Meeting of Executive Committee, June 29, 1963.

Present: C. J. Kettelman, Tom Malone, Clifford Hicks, Everett Beaty, George Ritter and George Waggoner as Proxy.

Motion sustained that Everett Beaty be elected as Chairman of the Board.

Motion sustained that Tom Malone be elected as Clerk of the Board.

Motion sustained that we adjourn.

Second Meeting of Executive Committee, July 9, 1963.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Beaty. Present were: Albert Bays, Cecil Walker, George Ritter, Clifford Hicks, Everette Beaty, Leon McBride, George Waggoner, Tom Malone and Betty Hampleman, and Elmer Turnbough.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. We were then led in prayer by Bro. Albert Bays. Bro. Elmer Turnbough was seated as proxy for Bro. Kettelman.

Motion sustained that we submit bid forms to various printers for printing of State Association Minutes.

Motion sustained that licenses be granted to Bro. Jerry Norris and Bro. Raymond Capps.

Bro. Leon McBride was seated as proxy for Howard Flota.

Motion sustained that the Promotional Secretary have more credential certificates printed.

Motion sustained that Promotional Secretary Funds be paid of the General Fund.

Motion sustained that we ask promotional Secretary to print a reminder in Newsletter about Newsletter Fund and Church's giving to this fund.

Motion sustained that Promotional Secretary be given power to make necessary changes in Church of the Quarter Award.

Motion sustained we adjourn.

Third Meeting of Executive Committee, Sept. 3, 1963.

Meeting called to order. Present: Bill Waggoner, George Ritter, George Waggoner, Cecil Walker, Leslie Elliott, Clifford Hicks, C. J. Kettelman, Howard Flota and Tom Malone.

Led in prayer by Bro. Les Elliott.

Bro. Bill Waggoner was seated as proxy for Bro. Everette Beaty.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

Motion sustained that the report of the Newsletter Treasurer be accepted.

Motion sustained that we give the printing of the State Association Minutes to C & R Printing Co. of Mt. Vernon, Ill.

Motion sustained that Ministers cards from Union Church be held.

Motion sustained that changes in By-Laws and Constitution and correction and necessary changes be made in the minutes.

Motion sustained that the Executive Board accept report of South Central Quarterly Meeting and grant the request.

Motion sustained that we accept Promotion Secretary report.

Motion sustained that Promotion Secretary bills be paid.

Motion sustained that bills for printing of awards certificates be sent to State Association Treasurer.

Motion sustained that we adjourn. Closing prayer by Rev. Walker.

Fourth Meeting of Executive Committee.

Motion sustained to pay Promotional Secretary \$75.00 for miles traveled last quarter.

Motion sustained that money be taken out of

the General Fund to pay for flowers for Bro. Osborn's son.

Motion sustained to change Ex. Board Meeting to second Tuesday of month following Quarterly Meeting.

Motion sustained to accept Pro. Sec. report.

A \$12.00 offering was received for Bro. L. E. Able.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Fifth Meeting of Executive Committee, March 10, 1964.

Opening Prayer by Bro. George Waggoner. Present: Everett Beaty, C. J. Kettelman, George Ritter, Howard Flota, Albert Bays, Leslie Elliott, and George W. Waggoner.

Motion sustained that Bro. Elliott act as clerk in absence of Tom Malone, clerk.

It was agreed that the following churches be notified to serve meals during the sessions of the State Association: Friday: Waltonville, Pleasant View, Oak Valley, Nason, and Friendship. Saturday: Hazel Dell, Mt. Vernon First, Bakerville, Eakin Grove, Decatur, Hoits Addition. The meals for the above were to consist of Sandwiches, Salad, Dessert, and Drinks.

Motion sustained that we accept the report of Promotional Secretary and pay mileage due.

Motion sustained that we approve transferral of the sum of \$225.00 from the General Fund of the State Association to the Newsletter and Promotional Fund.

Motion sustained that Pro. Sec. print Minister's Blanks.

Motion sustained that Pro. Sec. print 1000 or 2000 Church report forms and make revisions as suggested.

Motion sustained that we adjourn. Leslie C. Elliott.

Sixth Meeting of Executive Committee, June 9, 1964.

Called to order by Chairman Beaty. Opening prayer by C. J. Kettelman. Present: George Waggoner, Cecil Walker, Albert Bays, C. J. Kettelman, Howard Flota, Everette Beaty, George Ritter, Leslie Elliott, Clifford Hicks, and Tom Malone.

Letter from Rev. Bill Buster read before the board. This was received as information. Motion sustained we accept pro. Sec. report.

Motion sustained to forward material bill to Sis. Hempleman. (State Association Treasurer).

Motion sustained to have 1,000 copies of the Paper, "A Free Will Baptist Pastor Views Counseling" written by Rev. George Waggoner, printed.

Motion sustained to reimburse Bro. George Ritter for printing State Association programs.

Motion sustained to adjourn.

Signed: Tom Malone, Clerk

Partial Report of Credential Committee:

We the Credentials Committee have examined the Credentials of the Southern Ill. Yearly meeting and recommend that their delegates be seated: Francis Mercer, Nora Green, Irene Hall, Sis. Thomas Marlow, Lucille King, Maggie Buster, Linda Hawkins, Janie Dunn, Jim Thompson, Loretta Howell, Mrs. Clyde Gulley, Tom Lowry, Arvel Cline, A. E. Drennan, Rita Ryan, Leonard Fox, May Plaster. II. The delegates from the following churches be seated: Liberty, Elva Turnbough; Arnold View, Imogene Johnson; Rescue, Alma McCann; Harmony, W. C., Maude Rice; Bethel, Nick Hollis. III. The delegates of the Canaan District Association be seated with names to be supplied from report.

Signed Committee: W. T. Turnbough
Clifford Hicks
Clyde Gulley

Motion second and carried we accept Credential Committee report and seat the delegates.

Motion sustained we accept Woman's Auxiliary report.

Motion sustained we approve reading of the Minutes of the Executive Committee.

Friday Morning Worship Service:

Congregational Singing; "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus".

Prayer: Bro. Les Elliott.

Congregational Singing: "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms".

Message: Bro. Max Courtney, Luke 14:23.

Friday Afternoon:

Congregational Singing: "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus".

Devotions: Elmer Turnbough, Romans 9:1-3, 10:1-4.

Motion sustained we accept the Committee on Committees partial report.

We, the Committee on Committees make the following recommendations. For Finance Committee: Rev. Max Courtney, Bro. Nicholas Hollis, Rev. C. J. Kettelman. Business Committee: Rev. Leon McBride, Rev. W. T. Turnbough, Rev. Everette Beaty. Memorial Committee: Rev. James Fite, Rev. Melvin Oathout, Bro. Arthur Jones.

Report of our State Foreign Missions Director, Leon McBride.

Report of the Illinois Foreign Missions Director to the Illinois State Association.

First of all I want to thank the Lord for the privilege of being able to serve Him in this capacity. I know that my efforts have been meager but I trust He has been able to receive glory in spite of my weakness.

Generally speaking it seems that our Missionary giving is on the decline. This could be my fault, by not promoting missions more, it could be the Pastors fault by not presenting the need to his people, and again it may be your fault by not responding as liberally as you should. Regardless of the reason we should all try to do a better job in 1964-65.

If we are to meet our quota (our fair share of the National program) it is necessary for each member of our churches in the State Association to give about \$4.00 each. This can be giving through direct giving, missionary conferences or the co-operative plan. As a whole we need to increase our giving (all methods) by about 25%. Let me urge you pastors to begin now to work out a plan so that your church can give a respectable offering when our Missionary Conferences start August 20th thru September 2nd.

The Missionaries for this year's Conference are, Eula Mae Martin, South America; Don Robards, Studen, S. A.; Bill Jones, home from Ivory Coast, Africa; Bro. Coffey, National Missions Director. A similar plan will be used for the Conferences this year as was used last year. Churches not wanting a full conference will be able to have a Missionary for one night service. A complete schedule of Conferences will be printed in the Newsletter in July.

A total of 4,304.03 was given to Foreign Missions through our State Treasurer, Betty Hemple-

man this past year. May God bless every one of you who contributed to this phase of God's work and may you be inspired to redouble your efforts this coming year.

What-so-ever you do, do all to the glory of God.

As your director of Foreign Missions for Illinois I recommend that each church set a goal of \$4.00 per active member for their giving this year. It is better to have a goal and miss it than to not try at all. Will you try? Real hard? This year?

I also recommend that a different Foreign Missions Director for Illinois be chosen, so as to have new ideas incorporated into the program and there-by strengthen same.

Respectfully submitted, Leon McBride, Illinois Missions Director for Foreign Missions

Motion sustained that report be accepted.

Report of Sunday School Alliance and Youth Camp.

Sunday School Alliance Report.

The past year has been altogether a good one. There was a total of 94 in Junior Camp with 24 workers.

Second week there were 85 Seniors with 19 workers. This made a total of 179 campers and 43 workers. The Rev. James Earl Raper was the Evangelist for both weeks. Total Income: \$1,540.-45, Paid out \$1,492.15 leaving a balance of \$48.30.

The new Bunk beds have been ordered for the coming camp.

Rev. Leslie Elliott,
President Sunday School Alliance

Motion sustained we accept this report.

Moton sustaned that Ella Mae Hiltibidal be seated as delegate from Pleasant View.

Report of 1963 National Convention given by delegate, Bro. Gordon Sperry. Motion sustained we accept this as information.

Motion sustained we accept second partial report of Committee on Committees. Literature Committee: Rev. Cecil Walker, Miss Rita Ryan, Rev. Albert Bays. Temperance committee: Rev. Clifford Hicks, Rev. Clyde Gulley, Sis. Maggie Buster. Dismissed in prayer until the 7:30 service by Bro. Albert Bays.

Friday Night.

Congregational Singing: "He Lives".

Prayer: Rev. W. T. Turnbough.

Congregational Sing: "Are You Washed In The Blood?"

Special song by Gordon Sperry, "Until Then".

Message: Rev. Gerald Mangham; Matthew 4:1,

11.

Invitational Song: "Almost Persuaded".

Benediction: Frank Farris.

Saturday Morning, June 27, 1964

Congregational Singing: "When I See The Blood".

Prayer: Bro. C. Hempleman.

Devotions: Bro. James Fite, II Chronicles 7:14.

Report of Promotional Secretary

From many viewpoints this has been the best year ever for Illinois Free Will Baptists. This would be true in harmonious relationships and in matters of financial giving. You may check the report of the treasurer to see this last fact. Most of our churches support the Co-Operative Plan. We almost averaged our goal of \$1000.00 per month in this phase of our giving. Our goal is to increase this by 10% during the year.

In other areas there are real causes for concern. Our attendance in Sunday School, church services, and prayer meetings is down. We must search for the reason why and remedy this situation if we can. We are going to suggest that less negative preaching and more positive emphases upon God's Word will help.

We have tried to visit all the churches in the State Association at least once, as well as several churches not members of the State Association. "Visits" have included preaching, teaching, showing filmstrips, etc. Our emphases have been on giving information, inspiration, and challenge to local, state, and national needs. We have not gone primarily to collect money.

NEWSLETTERS #48-67 were printed and distributed to more than 1200 families. This has helped a great deal, we believe. We plan to make it even more helpful during the coming year.

The 10-10-10 Program and the Church-of-the-Quarter Program have gone over well in some churches. We hope to give them a boost during the year.

We highly recommend the use of Free Will Baptist Literature and hymn books as well as **Contact** and **Depth**. Our goal is to get Depth into use in

every Free Will Baptist home and to raise the Contact subscription to 760 during the year.

Some alarming facts will come to light when the reports on membership and attendance are given. Reported membership is over 3,500. However, fewer than 2,000 of these are reported as "resident". More than 300 conversions are reported, but attendance remains about the same as the last few years. We need to do something about this.

One other goal for the coming year is to get five new churches into the State association by next year. With your help we can do it.

Respectfully submitted, George W. Waggoner
Motion sustained that we accept this report.

Report of the State Home Missions

We, the Illinois State Free Will Baptist Home Mission Board, report the work of Illinois Home Missions for the past year:

Shortly after our 1963 State Association Meeting, Rev. William Buster, our State Home Missionary, moved to Elgin, Illinois to establish a Free Will Baptist work there. From a small beginning, the Elgin FWB Mission has grown to a congregation which averages around forty and meets regularly for Sunday School, morning and evening worship services and mid-week prayer meeting. The last week of May, 1964, Rev. Tom Malone was the evangelist at a revival there, and there were four conversions. Interest is good, and we expect the Elgin Mission to be organized in the near future.

After a meeting held at the Johnston City Free Will Baptist Church April 11, 1964, which was attended by area ministers, Rev. and Mrs. H. Willis of the National Home Mission Board, Mr. Jackie Creech of our National Association Church Bonds Board, and people interested in establishing a Free Will Baptist work in Marion, Illinois, a new work was begun there. Rev. Leon McBride, Johnston City pastor, is conducting early worship services each Sunday morning and evening at Marion where services are held in the Girl Scout building. The Marion Mission also has prayer meeting services each Tuesday evening.

The Johnston City Church is providing the pastor for the Mission at present and has voted to support with prayer and finance as they are able. We thank the Lord for the vision of Bro. McBride and his congregation and for their faith in taking

this step. It is our sincere desire to be able within a short time to share the responsibility of this endeavor and help to support a fulltime minister in this work.

Any one who would like to help financially in the Marion Mission may send contributions to Mrs. Juanita Cobb, Johnston City, Ill. You will be sent a receipt for all gifts received.

Our operational deficit was \$573.22 for the past year. This is an improvement, and we thank the Lord for the increase in giving and trust that we shall soon be able to operate in the black from year to year and reach out into more than one area at a time. It is our sincere conviction that without strong Home Missions support, our entire missionary program is weakened. Will you pray about this matter, and then give as the Lord directs?

Respectfully submitted,
George E. Ritter,
Treasurer

Financial Report of the Illinois State Free Will Baptist Home Mission Board:

Balance on Hand June 1, 1963\$1,976.72
Receipts:

Illinois State Association Co-Op\$2,334.61

"100 Club" 40.00

Special Gifts 952.17

Total Receipts 3,326.78

Total Receipts plus Balance on Hand\$5,303.50

Disbursements:

Salary (William Buster, Elgin)\$3,900.00

Total Disbursements 3,900.00

Balance on Hand June 1, 1964\$1,403.50

George E. Ritter, Treasurer

Motion sustained we accept this report.

Motion sustained that Bro. G. Mangham of Butterfield be seated as delegate.

Motion sustained that Sis. Margaret Hicks of Rockford be seated as delegate.

Reading of Canaan District Letter. Motion sustained to accept this letter.

Report of Adult Camp President. This was received as information.

We were then led in song by Bro. Kenneth Riggs, "At Calvary".

Miss Rita Ryan gave us a report on her first year of Bible College.

David Shores replaced on Business Committee by Everett Beaty. Motion seconded and carried.

C. A. Curry replaced on Necrology Committee by Melvin Couthout. Motion seconded and carried.

Completed report of the Committee on Committees. Nominating Committee: Howard Flota, Orval Cline, Bill Buster. Motion seconded and carried.

Report of the Literature Committee:

Item I: We, The Literature Committee recommend that all Free Will Baptist Churches use Free Will Baptist Literature from Nashville, Tennessee for both Sunday School and League.

Item II: We recommend that the State publish tracts or other literature for the benefit of our people in the coming year.

Item III: We recommend that the pastors see that all the above mentioned literature is used in our churches.

Albert Bays, Rita Ryan and Cecil Walker

Motion sustained that we accept Literature Committee report item by item.

Motion sustained we adopt Item #I. Motion sustained we adopt Item #II. Motion sustained to amend motion to read "we recommend that the Pastor's recommend." Motion sustained to adopt Item #III as amended.

Report of our State Treasurer.

ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF

FREE WILL BAPTIST

For the year ending April 30, 1964

Betty Hampleman, Treasurer

Balance Brought Forward\$ 466.94

RECEIPTS:

Churches	Co-op	Designated	Total
Arnold View	\$ 446.57	\$ 624.39	\$1,070.96
Aurora	461.38	.00	461.38
Bakerville	497.14	18.15	515.29
Bear Point	1,034.67	367.37	1,402.04
Belle Rive	83.00	.00	83.00
Bethel	1,105.35	256.63	1,361.98
Blue Point	573.46	296.00	869.46
Decatur	332.29	.00	332.29
Eaken Grove	20.00	15.39	35.39
Faith	14.12	.00	14.12
Granite City	351.95	.00	351.95
Harmony,			
West Frankfort ..	418.00	191.00	609.00
Hazel Dell	639.65	260.30	899.95
Hoits Addition00	30.00	30.00

Ina	507.51	900.43	1,407.94
Johnsonville	20.00	.00	20.00
Johnston City	1,271.71	1,300.00	2,571.71
Mt. Vernon	648.50	22.50	671.00
Nason	212.76	17.52	230.28
New Hope	229.63	136.50	366.13
Oak Grove	191.67	32.00	223.17
Oakland	4.86	.00	4.86
Oak Valley	232.50	125.79	358.29
Pleasant View	226.88	487.00	713.88
Rescue	243.86	.00	110.04
Rock Springs	85.38	68.45	153.34
Salem	110.04	.00	110.04
Union Grove	45.00	100.34	145.34
Waltonville	287.09	124.09	411.18
Webbs Prairie	427.92	200.44	628.36
Liberty	291.28	10.07	301.35
Roberts Road	23.16	.00	23.16
Northern			
Quarterly Meeting	143.20	.00	143.20
Southern			
Quarterly Meeting	5.00	157.38	162.38
West Central			
Quarterly Meeting	.00	137.82	137.82
Southern Illinois			
Yearly Dues		80.00	80.00
Canaan District			
Dues		115.00	115.00
Canaan District			
printing minutes			
(61, 62, 63)		75.00	75.00
Southern Illinois			
Yearly printing			
minutes		15.00	15.00
Delegates to State			
(Webbs Prairie, Aurora,			
Bear Point, Harmony,			
West Frankfort) ..		20.00	20.00
Free Will Offering			
at State Meeting ..		47.63	47.63
Youth Camp		150.16	150.16
Refund from			
George Waggoner			
on trip to Nat.		6.10	6.10
Total	\$11,185.53	\$ 6,388.45	\$17,573.98

DISBURSEMENTS:

National Association	\$ 5,583.17
Illinois Home Mission	3,235.88
Sunday School Alliance	703.29

Illinois Bible College	604.15
National Home Mission	407.13
Nashville Bible College	108.05
American Bible Society	50.00
Foreign Missions	4,304.03
General Fund	\$1,663.44
Miley	259.08
Benito R.	300.00
Hersey	297.33
Mayhue	63.64
Cronk	50.75
Eagleton	688.84
Waid	330.95
Phipps	593.30
Sparks	30.37
Brazil Bible Club	15.33
World Literature	11.00
Children Home, Greenville, Tenn.	18.06
National League	21.05
General Fund	
Dues to National Association	35.00
Tom Malone ½ Clerk Fee	25.00
Gene Norris ½ Clerk Fee	25.00
Delegates to the National—Tom Malone, Maxine Hicks, Gordon Sperry, Reba Ritter and Aleen Waggoner. (\$30.00 Each)	150.00
Betty Hampleman (phone calls for three years)	20.00
George Waggoner Salary for June & expenses	108.40
American Sunday Union (printing)	14.62
(200 10-10-10 Certificates and 50 Award Certificates)	
C & R Printers (400 Minutes)	141.00
George Waggoner (partial payment to National)	100.00
Charles F. Carpentier (Charter Fee) ...	3.00
Stamps and cards	22.20
Johnston Insurance Agency (Administration Bldg.)	99.70
Flowers for Rev. Osborn's family	11.40
George Waggoner, Salary \$10.00 for 52 weeks	520.00
Supplement Newsletter Fund	250.00
Betty Hampleman, Treasurer fee	250.00
"Not for Profit" fee, Springfield, Ill. ...	1.00
Total Disbursements	\$16,811.58

Summary

Balance Brought Forward	\$ 466.94
Total Received	17,573.98
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Total to be accounted for	\$18,040.92
Total Disbursements	\$16,811.58
Balance in Treasure, April 30, 1964	1,229.34
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	\$18,040.92

Received in General Fund

Co-op	\$ 2,159.99
Dues	195.00
Minutes (Canaan and Yearly)	90.00
Offering taken at State Meeting	47.63
Delegates to State Association (4)	20.00
Refund from George Waggoner on trip to National	6.10
South Central Quarterly Meeting	20.00
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Total received into General Fund	\$ 2,538.72
Total paid out of General Fund	1,776.32
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	762.40
Balance Brought Forward	466.94
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Balance in Treasure, April 30, 1964	\$ 1,229.34
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Motion sustained that we accept this report.

Finance Committee Report.

We, your Finance Committee, having checked the books of the Treasurer, Mrs. Betty Hampleman, find them in perfect order.

We recommend that her written report be adopted and she be commended for her excellent job of keeping records and the compiling of this report.

Rev. Max Courtney, Chairman
Nicholas D. Hollis

Rev. C. J. Kettelman

Motion sustained that we accept Finance Committee report.

Dismissed for 11:00 Service by Bro. C. J. Kettelman.

Saturday 11:00 Worship Service

Congregational Singing, "Showers of Blessings".

Prayer: Charles Waggoner.

Special Song by Rev. Kenneth Riggs, "Follow Me".

Message: Rev. Reford Wilson, National Foreign Missions Director.

Dismissed for lunch by Bro. Elmer Turnbough.

Saturday Afternoon

Singing: "He Lives"

Prayer: Clyde Gulley.

Reading of Credentials Committee report:

We, the Credentials Committee recommend that the following ministers be granted a card of good standing.

T. E. Bain
James E. Boggs
Hazel A. Buick
William Buster
James Coulson
C. A. Curry
Dwight Dame
Frank H. Dunn
Vivian Dunning
Jack Edwards
Bernice Goddard
Leo Grider
Clyde Gulley
Claude Hampleman
Jack Kettelman
Everett Beaty
Charles Price
May Courtney
Elmer O. Turnbough
Louie Hanna
Gilbert King
Geraldine Lewis
Leon McBride
Tom Malone
Thomas Marlow
Danny E. Mercer
W. S. Mooneyham
Charles Osborn
Pauline Osborn
Roy Otterson
Vivian Otterson
Clinton Potter
Jerry Reid
George E. Ritter
Bob Stone
James Fite
Floyd Kash
Loyd Lasley
Cloy Myers
Wallace Malone

Irene Sullivan
Henry E. Taylor
Guy E. Terry
W. T. Turnbough
Charles D. Waggoner
Cecil Walker
Zenas Sullivan
James O. Butcher
Janice Blades
Ella Mae Hiltibidal
Byford Campbell
Howard Flota
David Shores
Leslie Elliott
Clifford Hicks
Johnnie Holmes
Albert Bays
Alene Hanna
Fred Peirson
Floyd Hartley
Oran Kersh
Lyle E. Rutger
John Hiltibidal
Gene Blades
George Waggoner
Arthur Kern
Dewey Merritt
L. E. Abel
Thomas Skinner
Allen Taylor
Jerry Norris
Raymond Capps
Dorsa Braden
Joseph Kearney
James C. Beaty
Melvin Oathout
Lesley Lee Logsdon
James Hicks
Bobby G. Wright
Jesse Allen

W. T. Turnbough Clifford Hicks Clyde Gulley
Motion sustained that we accept this report.

Report of Temperance Committee:

1. We, the Temperance Committee, bring to remembrance our Church Covenant, Free Will Baptist Treatise and our Christian obligation to refrain from the sale and use of intoxicant beverages.

2. That we as Free Will Baptist oppose all bills or laws by voice and by letter to our Legislators promoting the cause of the liquor industry.

Clifford Hicks

Clyde Gulley

Maggie Buster

Motion sustained that we accept this report item by item. Motion sustained Item #1 be accepted. Motion sustained we accept Item #2.

Report of the Necrology Committee

Charles Logan Osborn, Des Plains; Clyde Allender, Highland Church, Jolett; Thomas Humphery, Harmony, W. F.; Dorothy Carlton, Charles Barnfield, Webbs Prairie; Nora Cochrum, Harvey Drennan, New Hope; Eliza Beasley, Vernie Venus, Arnold View; Robert Head, Ina; Alva Hearn, Ted Leigh, Glen Camden, William Fletcher, Elta Stricklin and Minnie Scott, Johnston City; Luke Tucker, Ray Robinson, Hazel Del; Ida Hartly, Henry Allen, Oakland; Lela Curry, Oscar Thompson, Bear Point; Rev. Riley Burton, George Beaty, Rescue; Jack Houseworth, Belle Rive.

James Fite

Arthur Jones,

Melvin Oathout

Motion sustained we accept this report and stand for a moment of silent meditation and prayer.

Report of the Nominating Committee.

We, the Nominating Committee, recommend the following:

Moderator—Rev. George Ritter

Asst. Moderator—Rev. Elmer Turnbough

Clerk—Rev. Tom Malone

Asst. Clerk—Rev. David Shores

Treasurer—Betty Hampleman

Home Mission Board—Rev. Everett Beaty

Christian Education—Rev. Claude Hampleman

Program Committee:

Southern Yearly—Rev. Everett Beaty

Canaan District—Rev. Jesse Allen

Executive Board:

Southern Yearly—Cecil Walker

Canaan District—Clifford Hicks

We, the nominating committee, also recommend Rev. Max Courtney be Director of Foreign Missions. We recommend Bro. George Waggoner to the General Board of the National Association.

Signed: Howard Flota

Orval Cline

William Buster

Motion sustained that we accept this report. Nominations were declared open for all positions to be filled. Motion sustained that we close nominations and elect by acclamation.

Greetings were brought to us by Bro. John Mark Vandorvoit of the National Home Mission Board.

Report of our Home Missionary.

We concluded our work at Aurora, Ill., last year just after the State Association and began our work in Elgin, Ill., the 1st Sunday in August.

We now have an average attendance of about 40 plus offerings from seventy to ninety dollars per week.

We worship in the Carpenter's Hall, 181 S. Grove Avenue.

The need is more responsible men for officers of the Church in order to organize. We should be able to organize in the next few weeks. If this proves infeasible for the present, the group can call a pastor and continue as a mission until such time as possible to organize.

I hereby resign as your State Missionary pending the completion of my work there.

William Buster

Motion sustained that we accept this report.

Report of Registration Committee.

We, the registration committee, report 36 Delegates and 30 Ministers plus several visitors, but they were not all counted. Motion sustained that we accept this report.

Motion sustained to grant all delegates \$30.00 toward their expense to the National Association in Kansas City, Missouri. Those nominated to go were: Eunice Malone, Mrs. Elmer Turnbough, Mrs. Max Courtney, Mrs. W. T. Turnbough, Densil Cockrum and Mrs. Claude Hampleman. Motion sustained to close nominations and proceed to elect. Those elected were: Eunice Malone, Mrs. Elmer Turnbough, Mrs. Max Courtney, Mrs. Bill Turnbough, Densil Cockrum.

Business Committee Report.

We, the Business Committee, prayfully recommend the following items for your consideration:

Item I. Whereas the Foreign Missions report informed us of our being behind in our giving, we recommend that each church endeavor to reach a goal of at least \$4.00 per member in order to reach our State Quota of \$11,500. This should be in addition to our co-operative giving.

Item II. That the following reports, Treasurer Report, Executive Board Report and Statistic Report of District and Yearly Meetings with memo-graphed copies be available at the time reports are given.

Item III. That the state Co-operative monies be divided with the following percentages. Home Missions 20%, State Bible College 5%, Sunday School Alliance 8% and General Fund 17%.

Item IV. That the State Bible College Fund be made available as a Student Loan Fund, with the education board as Administrators.

Item V. That this State Association go on record opposing Athaestic and Evolution theories being taught in our public schools and letters being sent by our promotional secretary to proper authorities.

Signed: W. T. Turnbough
Everett Beaty
Leon McBride

Motion sustained to accept this report and adopt it item by item.

Motion sustained we accept item #1. Motion sustained to amend Item #2 to read "these be ready at the beginning of the State Association on Friday morning. Motion sustained to accept Item #2, as amended. Motion sustained to amend Item 3 to read "in case of need during coming year Executive Board can make adjustments of funds". Motion sustained to amend Amendment to read "Sunday School Alliance 10%, Ill. Bible College 3%. Motion sustained to adopt Item #3, as amended. Motion sustained to adopt item #4. Motion sustained to amend the motion to read "the clerk write all proper persons". Motion sustained to adopt item #5. Motion sustained to adopt #6 (giving to the Sunday School Alliance \$300.00 from the State Assoc.)

Report of Educational Committee.

Due to a lack of interest in any kind of Bible Institute at this time, the Educational Board has

been unable to do anything constructive this year; therefore, the Educational Committee purpose: to establish a loan fund for students who are attending or plan to attend Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee. The conditions of loan are to be under jurisdiction of the Educational Committee subject to approval of State Association.

Leon McBride

Claude Hampleman

Motion sustained to accept this report.

Motion sustained to let current fees paid to clerk and treasurer be left same.

Motion to receive offering giving 1/3 of proceeds to Bible College, 1/3 to National Home Missions, and 1/3 to Foreign Missions.

Motion sustained to adjourn. Benediction.

Respectively submitted,

Tom Malone, Clerk of the State
Association of Free Will Baptist

CANAAN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

Friday Evening, 7:30 P. M.

The Canaan District Association met at the Tabernacle in Benton, Illinois, on Friday, June 12th, 1964 at 7:30 P. M.

Session opened by Assistant Moderator, Elmer Turnbough. Tommy Malone conducted the song service. The songs sang were, "Love lifted me", and "When I See the blood." Prayer by Rev. George Waggoner.

Welcome address by Assistant Moderator, Elmer Turnbough. Devotion service conducted by Rev. Leslie Elliott (Ps. 119:1-8) Brother Elliott's thoughts were based on Verse 4, "Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently".

Rev. Max Courtney brought a very inspiring message. The Scripture used was II Kings 7:1-9. His message was based upon a portion of verse nine, "We do not well." Dismissed by song and prayer.

Saturday Morning, June 13, 1964—9:30 A. M.

Saturday morning session was opened by singing "Toiling On" under the direction of Rev. Clifford Hicks. Prayer by Rev. Max Courtney. Song "At Calvary". Devotion by Rev. Jesse Allen. The Scripture used was Ps. 126, using verse four for his thoughts.

Appointing of committees by Moderator after a motion from the floor by Gordon Sperry to give the Moderator this power. Motion received a second by Rev. Elmer Turnbough. Motion carried.

Business Committee:

- (1) Jesse Allen, (2) Clifford Hicks,
- (3) Max Courtney.

Closing Resolutions Committee:

- (1) Gordon Sperry, (2) Irma Forrest,
- (3) Leida Downen.

Memorial Committee:

- (1) Ruby Wicks, (2) Dorothy Perish,
- (3) Mary Lou Sperry.

Nominating Committee:

- (1) Lloyd Lasley, (2) Louie Hanna,
- (3) Johnny Holmes.

Credentials Committee:

- (1) Hobert Connor, (2) Paul Connor,
- (3) George Capps.

Reading of Constitution and By-Laws of the Canaan District Association of Illinois Free Will Baptists by Assistant Moderator, Rev. Elmer Turnbough.

The Clerk read the letters from the East Central and West Central Quarterlies after waiting briefly for the West Central letter to be received from the Clerk of that Quarterly. Motion made and second to receive the letters and seat the delegates. Motion carried.

A report of our State work was given by Rev. George Waggoner, State Promotional Secretary, special emphasis upon goals for the coming year, and special effort to obtain five new churches this year.

Report of Foreign Missions by Rev. Leon McBride. Special emphasis were placed upon the coming Missionary Conference, August 20 to Sept. 2nd. Possible for each church to have four services with a different speaker each night. Speakers for the Conference will be Jerry Ballard, Eula Mae Martin, Bill Jones, and Don Robirds.

A challenge was made by Rev. Elmer Turnbough to get more churches to give to the Co-operative Plan.

Prayer.

Recess at 10:45 A. M.

Saturday 11:00 A. M.

Rev. Tom Malone led the congregation in singing, "I Would Not Be Denied". Prayer by Rev. Claude Hampleman. Song, "More About Jesus."

Special song by Gordon Sperry, "Until Then."
Special song by Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hicks, "The Lord Has Done So Very Much For Me, What Has He Done For You?"

A very stirring and spiritual message was delivered by Rev. David Shores. Scripture Matthew 16:13-18. Text verse 18, "Upon this rock I will build my church."

Prayer.

Dismissed for noon meal. (Served by West Central Quarterly). Rescue, Nason, Decatur, Hazel Dell, and West City.

Saturday Afternoon 1:15 P. M.

Song director, Rev. Tom Malone, "Trust and Obey". Prayer by Sister Malone. Devotions by Rev. Claude Hampleman (John 3:1).

Rev. George Waggoner presented a challenge to the State of Illinois concerning their gifts to the Headquarters Building at Nashville, Tennessee. Five cents per Sunday School pupil was urged. Also urged each church to send a special delegate to the State Association of Free Will Baptist (June 26, 27).

Motion made and second from floor to give Moderator Authority to appoint delegates to State Association. Motion carried. Delegates to State Association.

East Central: Edna Ryan, Mable Cates, Rachel Ward, Ethel Block, Grace Matthews, Mary Raney, Helen Capps, Mildred Grubb, Cora Culli.

West Central: Ruby Wicks, Gordon Sperry, Paul Conner, Jean Beaty, Neva Kehrer, Ruby Kings, Bill Loman, Maud Rice, Georgie Reed, Wesley Conner, Leida Dawnen, Nina Gilliam, Doris Young, Densil Cockrom.

Report of Business Committee:

Resolution No. 1.

Where-as our Friday evening services of the Canaan District Association meeting has been in the past very poorly attended and we feel we should not dismiss this service altogether: Be it resolved:

- (1) That the Friday evening service be given away to our youth in a district meeting.
- (2) That a guidance committee be appointed by this Association, consisting of three active Pastors to guide the young people in the selection of a program.
- (3) That the young people of this association organize in their first meeting electing a Presi-

ent, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, etc.

- (4) That the guidance committee plan the first program, and that the youth appoint a program committee to plan the program thereafter with the assistant of the guidance committee.
- (5) That a Free Will offering be received at each meeting for the financial obligation of this Canaan District Youth Meeting.

Resolution No. II.

We recommend that \$25.00 be forwarded from our treasurer, to the State Association, for the printing of minutes.

Resolution No. III.

We recommend that this association pay \$10.00 for the use of utilities to the Sunday School Alliance.

Resolution No. IV.

Where-as there is much controversy on the "Becker Amendment" to return the Bible to our schools, and we feel that this is a worthy amendment, worthy of our support. Be it resolved:

- (1) That we recommend to the State Association that they take action to endorse the passing of said amendment, as a State Association.
- (2) That if such endorsement is approved by the State Associations, the clerk send a letter to the proper representative of the Becker Amendment immediately.

Your committee on Business
Max Courtney, Chairman
Clifford Hicks
Jesse Allen

Motion to act on this report item by item, motion seconded, motion carried.

Resolution #1 read and motion sustained that it be accepted. Motion sustained that the chair be given power to appoint three ministers on the guidance committee for this Canaan District Youth Meeting. Clifford Hicks, Max Courtney, and Jesse Allen were appointed to this committee.

Motion sustained that Resolution #2 be accepted.

Motion sustained that Resolution #3 be accepted.

Motion sustained that Resolution #4 be accepted.

Report of Credentials Committee:

We recommend these ministers for cards of good standings:

L. E. Abel	Max Courtney
Lyle Rutger	Alene Hanna
Thomas Skinner	Albert Bays
Howard Flota	Johnnie Holmes
Ellamae Hiltibidal	Cloy Myers
David Shores	Lloyd Lasley
Byford Campbell	Floyd C. Kash
Leslie Elliott	James Fite
Clifford Hicks	Floyd Hartley
Oran Kersh	Wallace Malone
John Hiltibidal	Everett Beaty
Gene Blades	James W. Hicks
George Waggoner	Dorca Braden
Arthur Kern	Charles Price
Allen Taylor	Lesley Logsdon
Dewey Merritt	Jesse Allen
Louie Hanna	Bobby G. Wright
Fred Pierson	Melvin Oathout
Elmer Turnbough	

Licensed: James C. Beaty, Joseph Kearney,
 Larrie Shaw, Jerry Norris, Raymond Capps.

Motion and second to accept this report.

Report of the Resolutions Committee:

First, we wish to thank the following churches, Rescue, Nason, Decatur, Hazel Dell and West City. Our appreciation of the wonderful meal and their hospitality here at the fourth session of the Canaan District. Especially the women who prepared the dinner. We know not their names but we thank God for using them in this service and providing for our physical food. We want to thank every church that help provide for this occasion. In appreciation we would like to stand for a moment, thanking each one by so doing.

Leida Downen
 Irma Forrest
 Gordon Sperry

Following the report of the resolutions committee a discussion was held to determine what to do with the sum of \$10.07 which was received at the Kitchen for food sold. Motion and second to turn it over to State Association to be applied on food at the yearly meeting.

Motion by Clifford Hicks, second by Alene Hanna to hold the next Canaan District Meeting (1965) at the Bear Point Free Will Baptist Church, Sesser, Illinois. Motion carried.

Report of Memorial Committee:

We, the memorial Committee, recommend to

stand for a moment of silent prayer in memory of the following deceased.

Hazel Dell Church:

Lulu Tucker, Ray Robinson.

Oakland Church:

Ida Hartley, Henry Allen.

Bear Point Church:

Lela Curry, Oscar Thompson.

Rescue Church:

Rev. Riley Burton, George Beaty.

Belle Rive Church:

Jack Houseworth.

Salem Church:

Ethel Russell, Mattie Davis.

Oak Valley Church:

Roxie Porter, Iva Broker.

Signed: Mary Lou Sperry
Dorothy Parrish
Ruby Wicks

Treasurer's Report:

In absence of the Treasurer, the report was given by Rev. Clifford Hicks.

Balance brought forward	\$ 86.00
Total Received from both Quarterlies	230.00
Total	<u>\$316.00</u>

PAID OUT

Printing of Constitution and By-Laws ..	8.00
Delegates dues to State Association	115.00
Rev. George Ritter (Preaching)	20.00
Illinois State Assn. for Printing of	
Minutes paid to Betty Hempleman ..	75.00
Howard Flota (clerk)	20.00
Melvin Oathout (Treasurer)	5.00
Sunday School Alliance. Paid to	
Roberta Bain	10.00
Postage (to H. Flota)	1.69

Total Paid Out	<u>\$274.69</u>
Balance on Hand	<u>\$ 41.31</u>

Signed: Melvin Oathout

Report of Nominating Committee:

We the nominating committee, nominate the following:

Moderator—Elmer Turnbough

Asst. Moderator—James Fite

Clerk—Howard Flota

Treasurer—Jesse Allen
Trustee—David Shores

Signed: Lloyd J. Lasley
Louie Hanna
Johnny Holmes

Motion sustained to accept the nominees of the nominating committee.

Motion and seconded that the chair be given power to appoint the program committee, consisting of two. One from West Central Quarterly, one from East Central Quarterly. Rev. James Hicks appointed for West Central, Rev. Leslie Elliott for East Central.

Motion sustained that the Executive Committee of the Canaan District Meeting, audit the books of the out going Treasurer, (Melvin Oathout,), before the newly elected treasurer, (Jesse Allen) assumes the responsibilities. (On Thursday Evening, June 18, 7:30 p. m. the Executive Committee met and audited the books of Melvin Oathout, and found his books in order and correct.)

Signed: Elmer Turnbough
James Fite
Howard Flota
Jesse Allen
Henry Grub

Trustee: Rev. David Shores to replace Omar Smith. The board of trustees are: Henry Grob until 1965, Leslie Elliott until 1966 and David Shores until 1967.

Officers for 1965 are:

Moderator—Elmer Turnbough.
Assistant Moderator—James Fite
Clerk—Howard Flota
Treasurer—Jesse Allen.
Program Committee—James Fite and Leslie Elliott.

Motion sustained to adjourn until next year. At that time our Canaan District Meeting will be held at Bear Point Free Will Baptist Church, Sesser, Illinois. Meeting adjourned by Prayer.

Rev. Jimmie Hicks, Moderator
Rev. Howard Flota, Clerk

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS YEARLY CONFERENCE

The Forty-Fifth Annual Session of Southern Illinois Free Will Baptist Yearly Conference convened at the Sunday School Alliance and Youth Tabernacle in Benton, Illinois, June 19 and 20, 1964.

Friday Night 7:30 P. M.

Services opened by singing our theme song "One Day." We then stood for prayer led by Bro. Leslie Elliott. Congregation then sang, "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story."

Moderator Bro. C. J. Kettelman made a few remarks and then introduced the speaker of the hour Bro. George W. Waggoner. Bro. Waggoner used the subject "Sanctification" for his message. This was an informative message on our doctrinal viewpoint as Free Will Baptists. Benediction by Bro. Monte Davis, Sr.

Saturday, June 20, 1964, 9:30 a. m.

Services opened by singing "More About Jesus" followed by prayer by Bro. C. A. Curry.

Moderator then took charge. Bro. Arthur Jones gave prayer and meditation. Scripture used for remarks found in Psalms 23 chapter.

Moderator then began business. Chair appointed Gary Howell on Credentials committee to fill the place of Everett Beaty.

Readings of letters by clerk. Motion made to receive letters and seat delegates. Motion seconded and carried.

Reading of minutes by clerk. No objections or corrections so approved as read.

Treasurer's report was then given by Betty Hampleman. Report as follows:

Southern Illinois Yearly Conference Treasurer Report 1963-64.

RECEIPTS

Balance Brought Forward	\$ 36.11
May 29, 1963 Dues of South Central	
Quarterly Meeting	100.00
May 29, 1963 Dues of Northern	
Quarterly Meeting	60.00
Total	\$196.11

PAID OUT

May 29, 1963 Illinois State Association	
(16 Churches \$5.00 per church)	\$ 80.00
June 20, 1963 Betty Hampleman,	
Treasurers fee	25.00

June 20, 1963 Irene Sullivan,	
Clerk fee	25.00
June 22, 1963 Ill. State Association,	
Printing minutes	15.00
Total	\$145.00
Total Received	\$196.11
Total Paid Out	145.00

Balance on Hand	51.11
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Betty Hampleman, Treasurer

No corrections, so approved as read.

Foreign mission report by Bro. Leon McBride.

Motion made we accept this report for information and recommend that each church put in their budget the amount of \$4.00 per member to care for Foreign mission allotment. Motion seconded and carried.

Nominating committee then appointed by the chair. Those appointed were: A. E. Drennan, Geraldine Lewis and Arthur Jones.

Memorial Committee then appointed by the chair. Those appointed were: Eva Davis, Roberta Bain and Rita Ryan.

Promotional Secretary's report given by George Waggoner. Report stood approved as given.

State Home Missions report given by George Ritter.

Motion made this report be accepted for information. Motion seconded and carried.

Motion made that we receive these reports that clerk may insert reports in minutes for information. Motion seconded and carried.

Adjournment for 11:00 o'clock message. Dismissal prayer by Bro. Claude Hampleman.
11:00 A. M.

Services opened by singing "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow" followed in prayer by Bro. J. Thompson. Congregation then sang, "My Savior First of All." A few moments was then taken for a praise service after which Bro. J. Thompson sang, "Who At My Door Is Standing?"

Moderator then turned services over to the speaker of the hour, Bro. Leon McBride. Bro. McBride used the word "Adoption" for his message. Scripture used was Romans 8:15; Galatians 4:5 and Ephesians 1:5 answering the question of "When and How do we receive adoption?" and "How can I know I have been adopted?" This was a wonder-

ful message of information.

1:15 P.M. was placed as the hour to begin afternoon session.

Auditing Committee was then appointed by the chair. Those appointed were: Bob Laur, J. Thompson, and Bro. Belt.

Dismissal prayer and blessing on food offered by Bro. Cecil Walker.

1:15 P. M.

Services opened by singing "Anywhere with Jesus" and "Bring Them In" after which we stood for prayer offered by Bro. Gene Blades.

Devotional by Sis. Roberta Bain using Psalms 9:14 for her meditation.

Report of Business Committee was then given.

Report as follows. We the Business Committee recommend the following:

Item #1 That this body send letters to F. C. C. and broadcasting companies requesting closer supervision over T. V. and Radio programs, particularly in the matter of dress and use of profanity.

Item #2 That this body give the Sunday School Alliance the sum of \$10.00 for the use of the facilities here.

Item #3 That this body give the State Association the sum of \$15.00 to apply on the cost of printing minutes of 1964 meetings.

Item #4 That this body extend thanks to the churches furnishing the noon meal.

Signed: Leon McBride
Cecil Walker
George E. Ritter

Motion we receive report and adopt report as given. Motion seconded and carried .

Report of Credentials Committee then given.

Report as follows: "We the Credentials Committee after examining the credentials of ministers in both the Northern and South Central Quartermies do hereby recommend that the following people be given ministers cards, with the following recommendation, that Guy E. Terry be given a card upon evidence of membership in a church which belongs to the State Association.

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| 1. T. E. Bain | 20. Leon McBride |
| 2. Janice Blades | 21. Tom Malone |
| 3. James E. Boggs | 22. Thomas Marlow |
| 4. Hazel A. Buick | 23. Danny E. Mercer |
| 5. William Buster | 24. W. S. Mooneyham |
| 6. James O. Butcher | 25. Charles Osborn |

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| 7. James Coulson | 26. Pauline Osborn |
| 8. C. A. Curry | 27. Roy Otterson |
| 9. Dwight Dame | 28. Vivian Otterson |
| 10. Frank H. Dunn | 29. Clinton Potter |
| 11. Vivian Dunning | 30. Jerry Reid |
| 12. Jack Edwards | 31. George E. Ritter |
| 13. Bennice Goddard | 32. Bob Stone |
| 14. Leo Grider | 33. Irene Sullivan |
| 15. Clyde Gulley | 34. Henry E. Taylor |
| 16. Claude Hampleman | 35. Guy E. Terry |
| 17. Jack Kettelman | 36. William Turnbough |
| 18. Gilbert King | 37. Charles D. Waggoner |
| 19. Geraldine Lewis | 38. Cecil Walker |

Signed: Claude Hampleman
 Gary G. Howell
 James F. Coulson

Motion we adopt report. Motion seconded and carried.

Auditing Committee report then given. Report as follows:

We, the auditing committee, having examined the books of the Treasurer, Sis. Betty Hampleman, find everything in order. Signed auditing committee:

Bob Laur
 Paul Belt
 Jim Thompson

Motion made we accept report and release committee. Motion seconded and carried.

Memorial Committee report then given. Report as follows: "We, the Memorial Committee, recommend a moment of prayer in memory of Brothers and Sisters in Christ who have passed away this past year."

Signed committee,
 Eva Davis
 Roberta Bain
 Rita Ryan

Motion we receive report and release committee. Motion seconded and carried. Congregation then stood for a moment of silent prayer for the deceased followed in prayer by Bro. George Ritter.

Nominating Committee report was then given.

Report as follows: "We, the nominating committee, present the following persons to fill the office named. Moderator, Bro. Tom Malone; Assistant Moderator, Bro. Cecil Walker; Clerk,

Irene Sullivan; Treasurer, Betty Hampleman; Business Committee, Bro. George Ritter; Credentials Committee, Bro. Claude Hampleman and Bro. Jack Kettelman; Program Committee, Bro. Bob Laur and Bro. J. Thompson.

Signed Committee:

Geraldine Lewis

A. E. Drennan

A. R. Jones

Motion made by Bro. A. E. Drennan that nominations cease and secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for officers on the ballot. Motion seconded by Bro. Bain. Motion carried. Unanimous vote taken.

Delegates to the State Association were then selected:

1. Highland, Frances Mercer; 2. St. Charles, Nora Green; 3. Des Plaines, Irene Hall; 4. Faith, Sis. Thomas Marlow; 5. Roberts Road, Lucille King; 6. Aurora, Maggie Buster; 7. Liberty, Audrey Lewis Kash; 8. Rockford, Janie Dunn; 9. Harmony, W. F., Jim Thompson; 10. Johnston City, Loretta Howell; 11. Mt. Olive, Sis. Clyde Gulley; 12. Ina, Tom Lowry; 13. Arnold View, Arvell Cline; 14. New Hope, A. E. Drennan; 15. Union Grove, Rita Ryan; 16. Webbs Prairie, Leonard Fox; 17. Plasters Grove, May Plaster.

Motion made that yearly meeting pay \$50.00 additional on the printing of our minutes. Motion seconded and carried.

Bro. Leon McBride made a few remarks on the Marion Mission at Marion, Illinois.

Standing vote of thanks given churches who supplied the noon meal.

Dismissal prayer by Bro. Paul Belt.

Moderator—C. J. Kettelman

Ass't Moderator—Tom Malone

Clerk—Irene Sullivan

**CONSTITUTION
OF
ILLINOIS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL
BAPTISTS**

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ARTICLE I

Name

This organization shall be known as the **Illinois
State Association of Free Will Baptists.**

ARTICLE II

Purposes

The purpose of the corporation as stated in its certificate of incorporation are—To unify the work of the various bodies composing this state association, and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in connection with the various bodies in the association, or that may hereafter be represented herein.

The corporation also has such powers as are now or may hereafter be granted by the General Not For Profit Corporation Act of the State of Illinois.

ARTICLE III

Offices

The corporation shall have and continuously maintain in this state a registered office and a registered agent whose office is identical with such registered office, and may have other offices within or without the State of Illinois as the board of directors may from time to time determine.

ARTICLE IV

Composition

The State Association shall be composed of two or more district association and/or yearly meetings which are in turn made up of two or more quarterly meetings, which are composed of two or more local churches. District Associations or Yearly Meetings may be received into this body upon application by a majority vote of this body when in session for business.

ARTICLE V

Members

SECTION 1. The voting members of this Association shall be:

- A. Standing delegates shall be all ordained ministers in good standing and active deacons in good standing with membership in some local church which is a member of the State Association.

tion through its subordinate organizations, and—

B. Elected delegates as follows:—

1. Each district association or yearly meeting shall be entitled to a number of elected delegates equal to the number of churches composing said association, and—
2. Each local church which holds membership in the State Association through its subordinate organizations shall be entitled to represent directly with one lay delegate.
3. An elected delegate shall hold office until his successor has been seated.

SECTION 2. The member shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members.

SECTION 3. The membership of this Association may suspend or expel a member for cause after an appropriate hearing, by a two-thirds vote of those present at any regularly constituted meeting, and may by a two-thirds vote terminate the membership and credentials of any member who becomes ineligible for membership.

SECTION 4. This Association shall have no power to fill vacancies in the delegation from any subordinate body.

SECTION 5. Membership in this association is not transferable or assignable.

ARTICLE VI

Finance

Section 1. Each district association or yearly meeting shall send five dollars (\$5.00) for each elected delegate to which it is entitled.

Section 2. Each local church that represents directly with a lay delegate shall send five dollars (\$5.00) with that delegate.

ARTICLE VII

Affiliation

This association shall be actively affiliated with "The National Association of the Original Free Will Baptists of the United States," and shall make no regulations repugnant to that body.

ARTICLE VIII

Discipline

This State Association shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine, or practices that may properly come before it from any of the bodies composing said organization. If there be any pending question of discipline, doctrine, or

practices on the part of a subordinate organization, delegates of that organization shall not be seated until these questions have been settled.

ARTICLE IX

Officers

Section 1. The officers of the corporation shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk, an assistant clerk, and a treasurer.

Section 2. Election and Term of Office. The officers of the corporation shall be elected annually by the membership at the regular annual meeting. If the election of officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. Vacancies may be filled or new offices created and filled at any meeting of the membership. Each officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified.

Section 3. Removal. Any officer or agent elected may be removed by the membership whenever in its judgment the best interests of the corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed.

Section 4. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the Executive Board for the unexpired portion of the term.

Section 5. Moderator. The moderator shall be the principal executive officer of the corporation and shall in general supervise the business of the corporation. He shall preside at all meetings of the members. He may sign, with the secretary or any other proper officer of the corporation so authorized, all deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which this body has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by this body or by these by-laws or by statute to some other officer or agent of the corporation; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of president and such other duties as may be prescribed by this body from time to time.

Section 6. Assistant Moderator. In the absence of the moderator or in the event of his inability or refusal to act, the assistant moderator shall perform the duties of the moderator, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the moderator. Any assistant moderator shall perform such other duties as

from time to time may be officially assigned to him.

Section 7. Treasurer. If required by this body the treasurer shall give bond for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the body shall determine. He shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all Funds and securities of the corporation; receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Article X of these by-laws; and in general perform all the duties incident to the office of treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be officially assigned to him.

Section 8. Clerk. The clerk shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the members in one or more books provided for that purpose; see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws or as required by law; be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the corporation and see that the seal of the corporation is affixed to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the corporation under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws; keep a register of the postoffice address of each member which shall be furnished to the secretary by such member; and in general perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be officially assigned to him.

Section 9. Assistant Clerk. The assistant clerk shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to him by the secretary or by the moderator.

ARTICLE X

Executive Board

Section 1. General Powers. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by an Executive Board composed of members as hereinafter specified when the corporation is not in session.

Section 2. Number, Tenure and Qualifications. The members composing the Executive Board shall be the moderator, the assistant moderator, and the clerk of the State Association, and three members from each of the member district association or yearly meetings. Each of these three members from each district association or yearly meeting

shall hold office for three years except those first selected, who shall serve as designated when chosen. One member of each district association or yearly meeting shall be chosen each year.

Section 3. Regular Meetings. A regular annual meeting of the Executive Board shall be held without other notice than this by-law immediately after, and at the same place as, the annual meeting of the members. The Board shall organize by selecting a chairman, a secretary, and any other officer deemed advisable, and shall execute any other necessary business.

Section 4. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called by or at the request of its chairman or by three of the members of said Board.

Section 5. Notice. Notice of any special meeting of the Executive Board shall be given at least two days previously thereto by written notices delivered personally or sent by mail or telegram to each member at his address as shown by the records of the corporation. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail in a sealed envelope so addressed, with postage thereon prepaid. If notice be given by telegram, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when the telegram is delivered to the telegraph company. Any member may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a member at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a member attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the board need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting, unless specifically required by law or by these by-laws.

Section 6. Business. No business can be passed at any meeting without a favorable vote by a majority of the entire board provided, that if less than a majority are present at said meeting, a majority present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice. All action must be reported to the State Association and is subject to approval of same.

Section 7. Vacancies. Any vacancy occurring in the Executive Board shall be filled by the Board. A member elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected

for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.

Section 8. Trustees. The Executive Board shall act as a Board of Trustees and shall carry on such duties as usually devolve upon such officers on behalf of and subject to the authority of this corporation.

Section 9. Deposits. All funds of this corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Executive Board may select.

Section 10. Gifts. The Executive Board may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the corporation.

ARTICLE XI

Ministers

Section 1. Ministers. This State Association recognizes the right of any quarterly meeting, which is a member of this body by virtue of its being a member of a district association or a yearly meeting which compose this body, to license and ordain ministers, and will issue ministers' certificates upon request of said quarterly meeting.

Section 2. Standing. This Association shall annually pass on the standing of each minister and issue certificates of good standing to those they deem worthy.

ARTICLE XII

Seal

The Corporation shall provide a Corporate seal which shall be in the form of a circle and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the Corporation and the words "Corporate Seal, Illinois."

ARTICLE XIII

Waiver of Notice

Whenever any notice whatever is required to be given under the provisions of the General Not for Profit Corporation Act of Illinois or under the provisions of the articles of corporation or by the by laws of the corporation, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

ARTICLE XIV

By-Laws

This Association shall make any by-laws neces-

sary to its regulation, not repugnant to this Constitution.

ARTICLE XV

Amendments

This Constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the State Association by a two-thirds vote, provided proposed amendment or alteration is presented in writing to the body on a previous day.

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ARTICLE I

Meetings of Members

Section 1. Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the members shall convene on the fourth Friday morning of the month of June in each year, for the purpose of electing officers and board members and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. If said elections are not held on the day designated herein for any annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, the election shall be held at a special meeting of the members called as soon thereafter as conveniently may be.

Section 2. Special Meeting. Special meetings of the members may be called either by the moderator or by the Executive Board, or not less than one-tenth of the members having voting rights.

Section 3. Place of Meeting. All annual meetings shall be held at the Tabernacle of the Free Will Baptist Sunday School Alliance at Benton, Illinois, unless otherwise officially designated, and shall be held without other notice than this by-law.

Section 4. Notice of Special Meetings. Written or printed notice of special meetings, stating the place, day and hour of any meeting of members, shall be sent by registered mail, to the clerk of each member church, not less than 15 nor more than 30 days before the date of such meeting, by or at the direction of the moderator, secretary, or persons calling the meeting. If mailed, the notice shall be deemed delivered when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the church clerk at his address as it appears on the records of the corporation, with postage thereon prepaid.

Section 5. Quorum. Two subordinate organizations must be represented by as many elected and/or standing delegates as they each have churches in their organizations to make a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 6. Proxies. No proxy shall be allowed at any meeting of the members.

ARTICLE II

Committees

Section 1. Program Committee. A program committee consisting of the moderator, clerk, and one delegate from each subordinate body, selected for one year, shall arrange a program and distribute copies thereof for each regular sessions of the State Association.

Section 2. Other Committees. The moderator shall appoint such other committees consisting of not less than three persons as shall be necessary for the corporation.

Section 3. Quorum. A majority of any committee shall constitute a quorum, and the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.

ARTICLE III

Conduct of Business

Section 1. Roberts Rules of Order. Business shall be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order and in keeping with the Treatise of Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptists as adopted by the National Association of that body.

Section 2. Authority. This association shall not usurp any authority over the district associations, yearly meetings, or quarterly meetings that shall be under its supervision.

Section 3. Discussions. The moderator shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.

Section 4. Rulings. By a majority vote of the conference any ruling of the moderator may be overruled.

Section 5. Minutes. The clerk shall have the minutes printed of each year's session and distribute same to all churches composing the State Association. The publication may also include minutes of the district associations and yearly meetings which compose this body and such other information as he deems advisable.

ARTICLE IV

Books and Records

The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall also keep minute of the proceedings of its meeting. All books and records of the corporation may be inspected by

any member, or his agent or attorney for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.

ARTICLE V

Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the State Association shall begin on the first day of May and end on the last day of April in each year.

ARTICLE VI

Deacons

Section 1. The State Association recognizes the right of any local church to select, ordain, and give credentials to its deacons.

Section 2. Each church shall report to the annual meeting the names of its active deacons who are in good standing.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments to by-laws

These by-laws may be altered, amended or repealed, and new by-laws may be adopted by a two-thirds majority of the members present at any regular meeting, provided such proposed amendment or alteration is presented in writing to the body on a previous day, or at any special meeting, provided that at least fifteen days' written notice is given of intention to alter, amend or repeal or to adopt new by-laws at such meeting.

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