

# *Minutes*

OF THE  
THIRD ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE  
INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION  
OF  
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST  
OF FLORIDA

HELD WITH  
COCOA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH  
COCOA, FLORIDA

ON  
OCTOBER 26, 1975

**1975**

NEXT SESSION TO BE HELD ON  
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AT  
MELBOURNE

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Rev. Graeme Savage -----	1 yr. -----	Scottsmeer
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Rev. James Fields -----	3 yr. -----	Melbourne
Deacon Bob Allen -----	4 yr. -----	Scottsmeer
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SIXTH SESSION  
of the  
INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION

The Indian River Association of Free Will Baptist held its sixth session on Saturday, January 25, 1975 at the Cocoa F.W.B. Church.

The meeting began at 10 a.m. with the congregation singing "He Lives", followed with prayer led by Bro. Stone.

Morning devotion was brought by Bro. Bob Maddy from Luke 21:25-28.

Standing delegates were seated.

Roll call of elected delegates followed with motion to seat. SC

Visitors were invited and welcomed to the session by Moderator, Bro. Darrell Gwinn.

MSC to accept minutes of Oct. 26, 1974 session as printed.

MSC to accept Treasurer's report.

Moderator charged Youth Committee to plan program for young people during afternoon session.

Bro. D. L. Lane nominated and elected to replace Bro. Hunt on Ordination Board.

Bro. Christian informed the association that Bro. Lane was not an active deacon at this time. To comply with the By-Laws, Bro. Lane could not serve on this board.

Bro. Gary Johnson was nominated for the Ordination Board, but due to his working Saturdays he could not accept.

Moderator appointed committee to review Constitution and By-Laws during break for any conflicts. Members of the committee are: Bros. Stone, Griffin, Francisco, Chaffin, and Ballou.

Bro. Bob Maddy was nominated and elected for District CTS Director replacing Bro. Jim Fountain.

Bro. Guy McClain was nominated and elected to the Ordination Board replacing Bro. Roy Hunt.

WORSHIP HOUR

The congregation was truly blessed with the special singing during the morning worship.

Bro. Jim Christian brought a challenging message on "Sin".

Bro. Driggers, visiting from Jacksonville, dismissed the service; and everyone adjourned to enjoy a delicious lunch provided by the host church.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened with the congregation singing, "Joy Unspeakable".

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Bro. Jim Foster brought the afternoon devotion from Ex. 3:1-5.

Moderator Gwinn called for reports from the boards:

HOME MISSION BOARD - No report. (Board will meet in two weeks.)

ORDAINING BOARD - Reported the following:

- (1) Recommended that Rev. Jim Christian be accepted as a member of the association pending the Ordaining Board receiving Letter of Recommendation from his church and former association. Motion from floor to comply with this recommendation. SC
- (2) Chairman of Ordaining Board moved that all previous orders be suspended. SC
- (3) Board recommends that this association recognize those ordained deacons that were in good standing when association was formed, and are still in good standing, be accepted into the Indian River Association. MSC

Board advised ALL pastors to have church clerks notify association as to who these deacons are in their churches.

- (4) Recommended that Article Four, Section 2 (7) of By-Laws be changed to read as follows:

"That all ordination services be conducted at the time and place recommended by the candidate's church." MSC to table proposed change until next meeting.

MSC to reinstate standing orders.

The committee appointed in morning session reported that due to lack of time to study Constitution and By-Laws thoroughly; they recommended that the General Board study and make recommendations of any Constitution or By-Laws changes in writing at the next association meeting. MSC

All Woman's Auxiliaries of the association made reports. Reports follow minutes.

Progress report on summer youth camp was given by Doyle Griffin.

Moderator announced that next session of the association would be held at the Scotts Moor Church on April 26, 1975.

Bro. Maddy announced the CTS Rally would be held at the Vero Beach Church on February 15.

Motion made that the third Saturday of March, June, and September be the dates of the association fellowship day to be held at Wickham Park and expenses be covered by the association general fund. SC

Registration report given as follows:

5	ministers
11	deacons
34	visitors
<u>21</u>	delegates
71	Total

MSC to adjourn.

Meeting dismissed with prayer.

#### SEVENTH SESSION of the INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION

The Indian River Association of Free Will Baptist held its seventh session on Saturday, April 26, 1975, at the Scotts Moor Church with Bro. Gwinn presiding.

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The meeting began at 10 a.m. with the congregation singing "Victory in Jesus". Bro. Jim Fields led in prayer.

Bro. Tom Kemble brought the morning devotion from Mark 6:32-44; followed with prayer by Bro. W. L. Collins.

Standing delegates were seated. Roll call of elected delegates followed with motion to seat. SC

Moderator advised church clerks to send association clerk a list of their church's active deacons.

MSC to accept minutes of Jan. 25th meeting as printed.

MSC to accept Treasurer's Report.

Committees were advised to meet during lunch hour.

Bro. Savage presented a report from the Mission Board. Report attached.

The Woman's Auxiliaries of the district reported to the session.

Bro. Griffin reported on plans for youth camp at Camp Moon, August 4-8, with Bro. Ed Cook, evangelist.

No report from the General Board.

Bro. Gwinn announced that the Ordaining Council would meet during the lunch break.

MSC to remove By-Laws change (Article 4, Section 2 (7) from table.

MSC to change Article Four, Section 2 (7) of the By-Laws to read as follows:

"That all ordination services be conducted at the time and place recommended by the candidate's church."

#### MORNING WORSHIP HOUR

The congregation sang "He Lives". Testimonies were given from the floor, and special prayer was offered for prayer requests. Bro. Jim Foster presented special music.

Bro. Collins delivered the morning message which was based upon John 7:37.

Invitation followed with dismissal prayer.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

"Power in the Blood" was sung by everyone, followed by prayer. Bro. Roy Balleu gave the devotional from Matt. 11:28.

The district CTS Sword Drill competition was held and winners were presented medals by Bro. Bob Maddy.

Moderator advised that active deacons' names will be taken from individual church letters to the association meetings.

Unfinished business - none.

New business - none.

Indian River Association meets again on July 26 at Titusville.

C.T.S. Rally will be held on August 16 at Titusville.

Bro. Cloud requested the speakers be included in minutes.

Moderator advised Bro. Maddy to send names to clerk.

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT: Recommend Rev. W. L. Collins, Vero Beach pastor, to the association pending letter from South Georgia Association and Vero Beach Church. MSC

Recommended Rev. James B. Foster be licensed for one year under watchcare of the Indian River Association. MSC

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Recommended that Bro. Robert Hogan be ordained as a deacon at this association meeting. MSC

ORDAINATION SERVICE for BRO. HOGAN. Rev. Savage presented the charge and ministers and deacons present laid on the charge for Bro. Hogan with Bro. Cloud leading in prayer. The right hand of fellowship was extended to Deacon Hogan and his wife.

Registration Report was presented as follows: Ministers 5, Deacons 9, Delegates 23, and Visitors 66, making a total of 103; the highest attendance at an association meeting.

Announcements from the floor.

MSC to adjourn.

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MISSION BOARD REPORT to Indian River Association of Free Will Baptist, meeting at Scottsmeer, April 26, 1975.

The Mission Board met at Melbourne, February 11 and discussed the following items:

- Youth Camp
- Need of pastor at Vero Beach and possible financial assistance
- Need of starting church at Daytona Beach
- Possibility of having Mission Conference in the association.

Concerning the Youth Camp: the director will make a separate report.

Concerning Vero Beach: the need for a pastor has been satisfied.

Concerning Daytona Beach: the Mission Board contacted both the National Home Missions Board and the State Missions Board. The National Home Missions office expressed strong interest in commencing a joint project there; no reply has as yet been received from the State Missions Board.

Concerning the Mission Conferences: the National Home Missions Board has suggested the month of December of this year for a Home Missions Conference, commencing on a Wednesday evening and continuing through Sunday evening. We would encourage every church in the association to commit themselves to at least three services over this period. The Home Missions office has assured us that adequate personnel will be available to conduct services at each of the churches.

The National Foreign Mission Board has agreed to conduct a mission conference in April 1976, commencing on a Wednesday evening and continuing through Sunday evening, with a pastors', or pastors and deacons, conference on Saturday. We recommend that each church in the association commit themselves to at least three services during this period. The Foreign Missions Board has assured us that enough missionaries, etc. will be available to cover all that we would ask them to do.

Respectfully submitted,  
Graeme A. Savage, Chairman

EIGHTH SESSION  
of the  
INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION

The eighth session of the Indian River Association was called to order by Bro. Gwinn, moderator, on July 26, 1975 at 10 a.m. The meeting was held at the First F.W.B. Church, Titusville.

The congregation sang "Ring the Bells of Heaven" followed with prayer by Bro. Holbrook. Bro. Bob Maddy brought the morning devotional from Jer. 5:19-31. He spoke on "Fear of the Lord".

Clerk advised the session that all church letters were in order, and as a point of interest Mt. Zion Church of Vero Beach had changed its name to First Free Will Baptist Church of Vero Beach.

Standing delegates were recognized; with elected delegates called by clerk. MSC to seat delegates as voting body.

Minutes of last meeting presented. MSC to accept.

Call for Petitionary Letters - none.

Treasurers Report given. MSC to accept.

Moderator presented the General Board Report. MSC to accept report to go on table until afternoon session.

Woman's Auxiliaries reported from each church.

Moderator advised committees to meet during lunch hour.

Youth Camp report made by Bro. Griffin, director. He announced a staff meeting would be held on Sunday evening at the camp.

Mission Board Report given by Bro. Savage. Home Mission Conference will be held from Dec. 10 through Dec. 14.

MORNING WORSHIP

The congregation sang "Amazing Grace", and several testimonies were given. After singing "Victory in Jesus", Mrs. Savage presented special music.

Bro. Hayes, pastor of the Titusville Church, brought the morning message.

A committee was formed to examine Treasury to see if funds could be channeled to youth camp. Members of the committee were Gene Richardson, Jenny Johnson, David Peavy, Tom Kemble and Nesta Savage.

Bro. Savage presented a report on the Christian Workers Institute.

After altar prayer the congregation dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

"Look and Live" and "The Light of the World is Jesus" was sung by the group. Bro. Christian, Jr. led in prayer. The afternoon devotional was brought by Bro. Christian, Sr. He spoke on "He Lives" using Gen. 1:1-4 and Rev. 22:18-21 as his scripture.

MSC to remove General Board Report from Table. Report read by moderator, Bro. Gwinn, as follows:

GENERAL BOARD REPORT: The General Board of the Indian River Association met at the Melbourne Church on May 9, 1975, concerning possible constitution and by-law changes.

The board recommends the following changes:

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CONSTITUTION: Article Four, Section 3 - The standing boards of this association shall be the Missions Board, the Ordaining Board and the Christian Education Board.

BY-LAWS: Article Four, Section 1 - Delete letters c, d, e & f.

Article Four, Section 2 - C (3) That all applications must be made prior to the Association meeting to the Chairman of the Ordaining Board.

Article Four, Section 3 - The Christian Education Board shall be composed of three (3) members whose terms of office shall be three (3) years and whose terms shall be staggered so as only one member shall be replaced or re-elected each year. The District C.T.S. Director shall be an ex-officio member of this board.

The District C.T.S. Director shall be elected annually by the association at its annual meeting.

Functions of this board shall be:

1. Appoint youth camp director.
2. To organize and supervise a camping program.
3. To act as trustees and to hold title to any properties deeded to this association for the purpose of camping.
4. To be responsible for all monies received for or related to the camping program of this association.
5. To support and promote the education of our youth and Christian leaders.
6. To be responsible for co-ordinating all C.T.S. programs of this association.

Article Five, Section 1 - The Nomination Committee shall be composed of three (3) members to be elected at the October session and who shall serve for a period of one year.

Article Six, Section 3 - The District Woman's Auxiliary shall give a report at the annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
The General Board

MSC to accept report as presented to the body, and place on table until next session.

Motion from floor: that each C.T.S. Director present a report at each session of the association...to be placed on table until October meeting. SC.

MSC that association give honorarium of \$50.00 each to association moderator and clerk; and ten cents per mile (one way) for association travel expenses...to be paid at the end of each year. SC.

MSC to hold C.T.S. Rally at Melbourne Church, August 16.

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT as presented by Bro. Savage, recommends:

1. W. L. Collins be received into full fellowship with the association. (Letters were received from former association in Georgia and Vero Beach Church.) MSC.

2. Bro. Hunt be recognized as deacon in good standing at the Titusville Church. MSC.

3. Bro. David Hayes be accepted into the association pending letter of good standing from his former association. MSC.

The right hand of fellowship was extended to these brethren while the congregation sang "Blest Be the Tie".

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The Statistical Report was presented by the clerk as follows: visitors, 26; delegates, 24; deacons, 7; and ministers, 6; totaling 63.

Delegates were appointed to the State Association meeting. They are Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Griffin, Mrs. Nesta Savage, Mrs. Helen Allen and Mrs. Dorothy Cook.

Bro. Maddy reported on results of C.T.S. competition on the state and national level.

MSC to transfer \$100.00 from the general fund to the youth camp account; and \$61.90 to the C.T.S. account.

MISSION BOARD REPORT. Presented by Bro. Savage:

Daytona Beach: The National Home Mission Board is in consultation with the State Mission Board with a view to establishing a Joint Project at Daytona Beach. The churches of this association are challenged to give as much support as possible to this mission, particularly prayer and finance. As further information reaches us we will pass it on to the churches.

Home Mission Conference: The dates for the conference are December 10th through 14th. We encourage each church in the association to have at least three services over this period. Sharing the conference with us will be Rev. Roy Thomas, Associate Director of our National Home Missions Board, as well as some missionaries; possibly the newly appointed missionary to Daytona Beach if plans go as expected.

It would be possible, if enough people desired it, to organize a seminar on Saturday, Dec. 13, with Bro. Roy Thomas, on effective house to house visitation and personal evangelism. Bro. Thomas has had considerable effective experience in these areas.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mission Board  
Graeme A. Savage, Chairman.

MSC to accept Mission Board report as presented.

MSC to adjourn session. Dismissal with prayer.

#### NINTH SESSION of the INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION

The Indian River Association of Free Will Baptist held its third annual session on October 26, 1975, at the Cocoa F.W.B. Church. The meeting began at 10 a.m. with Bro. Gwinn calling the session to order. Everyone sang "At Calvary". Prayer followed.

Bro. Stone brought the morning devotional from Matt. 22: 34-42. He spoke on "Love of God".

Church letters were called for and the clerk reported four letters received and in order. Scottsmoor's letter had not been received as yet.

Standing delegates were seated. Roll call of appointed delegates followed with motion from floor to accept them. SC.

No petitionary letters presented.

No corresponding messages or messengers.

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MSC to accept minutes of last meeting.

MSC to accept treasurer's quarterly and yearly report. (Report follows minutes.)

MSC to accept youth camp report. (Report follows minutes.)

The following Woman's Auxiliaries reported: Vero Beach, Melbourne, Titusville, Scottsmeer.

Moderator appointed Vero Beach delegation to serve as an Obituary Committee.

Bro. Gwinn appointed a Nominating Committee to replace the elected Nominating Committee. The new committee was composed of Bro. Tommy Christian, Titusville; Sister Delma Bailes, Melbourne; and Bro. Roy Hunt, Titusville. They were advised to meet during the noon hour with the moderator.

MSC to remove General Board's report from table.

MSC to adopt Constitution change: Article Four, Section 1: "The standing boards of this association shall be the Mission Board, the Ordaining Board and the Christian Education Board."

MSC to delete letters c,d,e and f from By-Laws, Article Four, Section 1.

MSC to adopt amendment to By-Laws, Article Four, Section 2 - C (3): "That all applications must be made propr to the association meeting to the Chairman of the Ordaining Board."

Morning business was concluded at this time.

#### WORSHIP HOUR

The congregation sang "Saved by the Blood" and "He Lives". Mrs. Graeme Savage furnished special music. Bro. Jim Fields, Melbourne, preached the morning sermon. After singing "Kneel at the Cross" the service was dismissed for lunch.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

"To God be the Glory" was sung by everyone; followed with prayer. Bro. Francisco brought the afternoon devotional which was based on Rev. 14:8-13.

Bro. Gwinn welcomed the pastor of the Christian Union Church of Merritt Island to the meeting.

The General Board's report was again brought onto the floor with the following action:

MSC to adopt Article Four, Section 3 of By-Laws: "The Christian Education Board shall be composed of three (3) members whose terms of office shall be staggered so as only one member shall be replaced or re-elected each year. The District C.T.S. Director shall be an ex-officio member of this board.

"The District C.T.S. Director shall be elected annually by the association at its annual meeting."

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2. To organize and supervise a camping program.
3. To act as trustees and to hold title to any properties deeded to this association for the purpose of camping.
4. To be responsible for all monies received for or related to the camping program of this association.
5. To support and promote the education of our youth and Christian leaders.
6. To be responsible for co-ordinating all C.T.S. programs of this association.

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MSC to accept Article Five, Section 1 of By-Laws: "The Nominating Committee shall be composed of three (3) members to be elected at the October session and who shall serve for a period of one year."

MSC to accept Article Six, Section 3 of By-Laws: "The District Woman's Auxiliary shall give a report at the annual meeting."

MSC to remove motion from table: CTS directors shall report at each association meeting. MSC to amend original motion to read: "The District C.T.S. Director shall report at each association meeting." Motion carried as amended.

ORDAINING BOARD REPORT: Bro. Savage presented the Ordaining Board report:

1. Recommend that Rev. James Christian be accepted into the fellowship of the association as an ordained minister, having received a letter of good standing from the Presbytery of the Cumberland Association of Free Will Baptists, Ashland City, Tennessee; and that he receive the right hand of fellowship. MSC.

2. Recommend that Bro. James Simmons be granted a license to preach; pending his completion of the required questionnaire at which time he will be asked to meet with the Ordaining Council again to finalize this procedure. MSC.

3. We recommend that the letter from the First Free Will Baptist Church of Titusville concerning Bro. Harold Wood, to be recognized as an Ordained Deacon within the association receive no action until Bro. Wood is able to meet with the Ordaining Council. MSC.

The right hand of fellowship was extended to Bro. Christian by the congregation as they sang "Blest Be the Tie".

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: Bro. Christian presented the Nominating Committee report as follows:

Moderator ..... Rev. Darrell Gwinn

Vice Moderator ..... Rev. W. L. Collins

Clerk-Treasurer ..... Doyle Griffin

Asst. Clerk-Treasurer ..... Mrs. Doyle Griffin

Nominating Committee: Rev. David Hayes, Bob Allen and Bob Maddy

Home Mission Board: Bro. Stone, for three year term.

Ordaining Board: Bro. Jim Christian, for five year term.

Christian Education Board: Sam Lucky, Jim Christian and Mrs. Helen Allen

District C.T.S. Director: Bob Maddy

MSC to accept committee's report. All nominees were elected to their offices.

MISSION BOARD REPORT: The following Mission Board report was given by Bro. Savage:

The Mission Board presents the following proposed schedule for the Home Mission Conference, December 10-14, 1975:

We will have two missionaries with us, Rev. Virgil Manness of Wilmington, Delaware; and Rev. Larry Russell of Baton Rouge, La.

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Schedule:

Vero Beach: Friday, Russell and Sunday a.m., Manness

Melbourne: Wednesday, Russell and Thursday, Manness

Cocoa: Wednesday, Manness and Sunday a.m., Russell

Titusville: Friday, Manness and Sunday p.m., Russell

Scottsmeer: Thursday, Russell and Sunday p.m., Manness

District Home Mission Rally, Saturday 7:00 p.m. in the Melbourne Church.

We request that the churches where the missionaries conduct the evening services accept the responsibility for their hospitality.

Daytona Beach: The National Home Mission Board has been unable to get any response whatsoever from the State Mission Board. We recommend that no action be taken until after the State Association meets, and that then a further approach be made to the State Mission Board. If this fails to gain any result that we proceed to establish the mission in Daytona Beach without further delay.

Also that \$50.00 each for the Home Missionaries be paid out of the Mission Board funds to help pay traveling expenses.

Faithfully presented,  
Graeme A. Savage, Chairman  
Home Mission Board

MSC to accept report as presented. MSC to donate \$50.00 to each visiting missionary.

Statistical report given by the clerk; showing 50 attending the session.

Christian Workers' Institute report given by Bro. Savage.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT: We, the Obituary Committee, submit the following names to the Indian River Association: Bro. C. E. Allen, Scottsmeer and Mrs. Mary Graham of Melbourne. A moment of silent prayer was observed in remembrance of Bro. Allen and Sister Graham; concluding with prayer by Bro. Francisco.

Bro. Gwinn noted that Bro. Cecil Rogers had recently passed away. He was well known to many in the association for his fine singing and personal testimony. Bro. Stone led in prayer.

It was noted that Sister D. Cook would not be attending the State Association meeting.

Charge was given to the new officers. Announcements were made from the floor.

Standing appreciation for the host church for their food and hospitality during the day.

Adjournment. Dismissal with prayer.

**SCOTTSMEER WOMAN'S AUXILIARY**

Average attendance: 7. Meetings: 1st Wed. of month.

Supported both the Combs and the Barrs of Alaska.

Collected food discount coupons for F.W.B. Children's Home, S&H Green Stamps for the Christian Workers' Institute.

New projects for coming year: Supporting the Carrs; Rev. Johnson in Ark.; Dickens, missionary appointees.

**TITUSVILLE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY**

Average attendance: 7. Meetings: 2nd Tues. every month.

Average offerings: \$3 to \$5, with extra projects to increase

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the treasury. Project: purchasing mimeograph machine for church. An August garage sale netted \$130.00. Betty Bateman was guest speaker at the Sept. meeting and spoke on "The Importance of Studying the Bible". She is from the Park Avenue Baptist Church. An October bake sale brought in \$50.00. Monthly visits made to the sick and cards were mailed. During Nov. and Dec. Holiday Napkins will be sold; and also a secret pal dinner. A Christmas Fellowship Dinner is planned for the church.

#### MELBOURNE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Average attendance: 8. Meetings: 1st Tues. of each month.

Bible Study each Tuesday, followed by an hour of visitation.

Projects: monthly items to Florida Children's Home; literature to convalescent homes; visiting the elderly; special offering to Missionary Provision Closet and white elephant sale.

Programs are taken from the "Co-Laborer" magazine.

#### VERO BEACH WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Projects: Support Camp Moon, Judy Bryan and Vacation Bible School. Collected clothes for F.W.B. Children's Home and Stamps and medicine bottles for missionaries; compiled a directory for the church.

Presented Emphasis Program to church to let others know of auxiliary work - locally, district wise and on national level.

#### ATTENDEES

MINISTERS	DEACONS	DELEGATES	VISITORS
W. L. Collins	Paul Francisco	Doyle Griffin	Glynece Savage
Darrell Gwinn	Guy McClain	Nancy Griffin	Jani McGorry
Dr. Graeme Savage	Thomas Christian	Sam Lucky	Lisa McGorry
David Hayes	Robert H. Allen	Bob Scharr	M. B. Simmons
James V. Foster	Roy Hunt	Betty Woods	Bill Grabour
James Fields		Marty Adkison	Hudson Savage
Jim Christian		Nancy Hayes	Ronnie Christian
Alvin Denny		Geraldine Gwinn	Mike Christian
		Theresa Little	Donna Christian
		Jim Simmons	Doug Christian
		A. R. Stone	Jimmy Christian
		James V. Foster	Greg Ham
		Janet Johnson	Becky Christian
		Diana Dial	Becky Gwinn
		Hesta Savage	Gladys Spradling
		Grattan Savage	Callie Conley
		Donald Piper	G. Gwinn
		Jeff Collins	
		Geo. Austin	
		Delma Bailes	
		Helen Allen	
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# ANNUAL STATISTICAL TABLE

	Number Baptisms	New Members	Members Lost	Total Membership	Value of Church & Parsonage Property	Paid Pastor	Other Salaries	New Construction & Re-Modeling	Debt Retirement	Other Local Expenses	Co-operative Plan	Church Training Service	Foreign Missions	Home Missions & Home Ext.	State Office	Association Dues
OCCOA	9	25	27	78	\$ 74,000.00	\$ 5,678.00	\$ 0	\$ 253.90	\$4,517.24	\$ 3,008.74	\$ 135.00	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$100.00
MELBOURNE	19	34	13	151	97,000.00	7,800.00	0	2,930.00	0	8,956.00	3,218.00	0	0	0	0	100.00
SCOTTSMOOR	-	4	11	41	35,000.00	6,500.00	910.00	5,570.00	-	6,516.00	1,443.00	0	211.00	226.00	833.00	100.00
TITUSVILLE	1	9	6	50	55,000.00	4,493.00	0	326.00	4,272.00	2,826.00	0	0	0	0	0	100.00
VERO BEACH	0	4	2	18	30,000.00	1,285.00	0	0	0	4,801.00	0	0	20.00	20.00	0	100.00
TOTALS	29	76	59	338	\$291,000.00	\$25,756.00	\$910.00	\$9,079.90	\$8,789.24	\$26,107.74	\$4,796.00	0	\$231.00	\$246.00	\$833.00	\$500.00

# INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

## YOUTH CAMP REPORT - 1975

BALANCE ON HAND ..... January 1 .....\$ 300.53

### RECEIPTS

State Home Mission Board	\$ 300.00	
Indian River Assn. Woman's Aux.	115.00	
Indian River Assn.	100.00	
Vero Beach W. A.	10.00	
Scottsmoor Ch. (Dues & Contributions)	192.50	
Titusville Church "	175.00	
Melbourne Church "	525.00	
Vero Beach Church "	190.00	
	<u>\$1607.50</u>	<u>\$1607.50</u>

TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR ..... \$1908.03

### EXPENSES

Haynes & Haynes Insurance	\$ 63.75	
Evangelist Ed Cook	225.00	
Camp Moon, Rent	617.85	
C. T. S. Dept., Literature	55.60	
Recreation Equipment	31.57	
Medical Expenses at camp	11.80	
Handcrafts	6.50	
Repair, Broken window	6.71	
Halsey & Griffith, Paper & Ink	9.50	
Food and Paper Products	703.26	
Director's Expenses	35.00	
	<u>\$1766.54</u>	
Sub-Total		
Cash received & spent at camp, Mis.	70.00	
	<u>\$1836.54</u>	<u>\$1836.54</u>

TOTAL BALANCE ON HAND, Sept. 30, 1975 \$ 71.49

### CAMP ATTENDANCE

Campers .....	61
Staff .....	19
Under-age campers ...	<u>6</u>
TOTAL .....	86

Respectfully submitted,  
Doyle Griffin, Director



INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST  
TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1975 thru September 30, 1975

BALANCE ON HAND ... July 1, 1975 ..... \$1099.64

RECEIPTS

Dues from 5 churches	\$ 125.00	
Youth Camp	1022.50	
Youth Rally, Rec'd at assn. mtg.	41.85	
Total received & deposited	<u>\$1189.35</u>	<u>\$1189.35</u>

TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR ..... \$2288.99

EXPENSES

Youth Camp	\$1766.54	
Postage	4.00	
Association picnic	28.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$1798.54</u>	<u>\$1798.54</u>

BALANCE ON HAND, September 30, 1975 ..... \$ 490.45

TREASURY BREAKDOWN

General Fund	\$ 69.12
C. T. S. Rally	41.85
Home Mission Board	271.99
Ministers and Deacons	36.00
Youth Camp	<u>71.49</u>
TOTAL TREASURY .....	<u>\$490.45</u>

Respectfully submitted,  
Doyle Griffin,  
Clerk-Treasurer

INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST  
ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

October 1, 1974 through September 30, 1975

BALANCE ON HAND ... October 1, 1974 ..... \$ 673.68

RECEIPTS

Dues from 5 churches	\$ 500.00	
C.T.S. Rally contributions	65.35	
Youth Camp	<u>1437.50</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS .....	\$2002.85	<u>\$2002.85</u>

TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR ..... \$2676.53

EXPENSES

C.T.S. Department	\$ 139.42	
Association picnics (4)	93.42	
Office Supplies	42.10	
Postage	10.88	
Annual Minutes	117.40	
Florida State Assn. dues	15.00	
S.S. Department (minister' cards)	1.32	
Youth Camp	<u>1766.54</u>	
TOTAL EXPENSES .....	\$2186.08	<u>\$2186.08</u>

BALANCE AS OF September 30, 1975 ..... \$ 490.45

Respectfully submitted,  
Doyle Griffin,  
Clerk-Treasurer

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS  
of the  
Indian River Association  
of  
Original Free Will Baptists  
of the  
State of Florida

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PREAMBLE

We, the Indian River Association of Original Free Will Baptists of the State of Florida, do ordain this constitution for the purpose of advancing, promoting and increasing all phases of the cause of Christ.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE ONE: NAME

This organization shall be known as the Indian River Association of Original Free Will Baptists of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE TWO: MEMBERSHIP

This association shall be composed of such Free Will Baptists churches as shall adopt this compact and agree to this constitution.

ARTICLE THREE: DELEGATION

Section 1. The standing delegation of this association shall consist of all ordained ministers, ordained deacons, association clerk, and church clerks of this association in good standing with this association.

Section 2. Voting privileges shall be extended to all standing delegates and to those duly elected or appointed delegates representing the churches of this association in good standing with the association.

Section 3. Each church shall be entitled to two (2) delegates plus one (1) delegate for each twenty-five (25) members (or fraction thereof) -- not to exceed a total of six (6) elected or appointed delegates.

## ARTICLE FOUR: OFFICERS AND BOARDS

- Section 1. The general officers of this association shall be the moderator, the assistant moderator, the clerk-treasurer and the assistant clerk-treasurer. These officers shall be elected on odd years for the term of two years.
- Section 2. There shall be a General Board, composed of the officers of the association and the chairmen of the various boards, which shall serve as the association out of session.
- Section 3. The standing boards of this association shall be the Missions Board, Ordaining Board, and the Christian Education Board.

## ARTICLE FIVE: MEETINGS

The meetings of this association shall be on the last Saturday of January, April, July, and October.

## ARTICLE SIX: AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the association by a two-thirds majority vote of the delegates present- providing the proposed amendment or alteration is presented in writing during one session, placed on the table and voted upon in the next session.

# BY-LAWS

## ARTICLE ONE: MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1. All churches affiliated directly with this association shall be required to adopt the Treatise of the Faith and Practice of the Original Free Will Baptists as adopted by the National Association of Original Free Will Baptists. Application for membership must contain a statement to this effect.
- Section 2. Churches desiring to affiliate themselves with this body must make application by letter and representation to this association.



## ARTICLE TWO: REPRESENTATION

Each church shall be requested to pay dues of \$25.00 per session.

## ARTICLE THREE: FUNCTION OF THE OFFICERS

- Section 1. The duties of the moderator shall be to preside at all meetings of the association. He shall be empowered with the authority to appoint any committees not otherwise provided for by the constitution.
- Section 2. The duties of the vice-moderator shall be to preside at the request of or in the absence of the moderator and assist him in such ways as are necessary and advisable.
- Section 3. The duties of the clerk-treasurer shall be to keep accurate minutes of the association's meetings, to compile the minutes of the boards and auxiliaries and to prepare and publish them. It shall be his further duty to take care of all necessary correspondence. The clerk-treasurer shall receive all associational monies and disburse them as directed by the association.
- Section 4. The duties of the assistant clerk-treasurer shall be to function at the request of or in the absence of the clerk-treasurer and to assist him in any way necessary.

## ARTICLE FOUR: FUNCTION OF THE BOARDS

- Section 1. The Missions Board shall be composed of three (3) members whose terms of office shall be three(3) years and whose terms shall be staggered so as only one member shall be replaced each year.

The function of this Board shall be:

- a. To supervise any and all missions' programs of this association and to coordinate their efforts with our state and national agencies.
- b. To be vested with the power of trusteeship; to hold and convey titles of any property coming under the jurisdiction of the Missions Board through this association or as dealing with any or all property requiring trusteeship of the Indian River Association.
- c. To formulate and promote a live missionary program by the aiding of weak churches, the establishment of new churches and by an earnest effort to keep a spirit of revival present in the association.

It shall not be the function of this board to hold joint ownership of any church or church properties.

Section 2. The Ordaining Board shall be composed of three (3) ministers and two (2) deacons who are members of this association in good standing. Board members shall be elected to staggered terms of five (5) years with one member being replaced or re-elected each year.

Functions of this board shall be:

- a. To examine all applicants for ordination and all previously ordained ministers and deacons seeking membership in the association.
- b. To ordain or assist in the ordination of deacons and ministers when requested to do so by the church of the candidate.
- c. To consider the following in carrying out the duties of the office:
  - (1) That all ministers and deacons wishing to become members of this association shall be recommended from the church of which they are members.
  - (2) That all examinees shall be called upon to present their credentials for examination and answer satisfactorily such questions as may be asked of them.
  - (3) That all applications must be made prior to the association meeting to the chairman of the Ordaining Board.
  - (4) That a person presented for ordination to the ministry, or to be recognized as a minister in good standing, must be pastoring; be in a state of retirement due to age or health; be engaged in a full-time area of Christian work; or have a justifiable cause preventing his pastoring.
  - (5) That ministers desiring to be ordained must have been licensed for a period of one year and have pastored for at least six months prior to ordination. Six months pastoring or related Christian work during the one year tenure of licensing will be accepted as a pre-requisite for ordination.
  - (6) For a person to be presented for ordination as a deacon or recognition of ordination as a deacon he must have served as an associate or deacon-elect for a period of at least one year. If he has served as deacon in this association previously and still holds his credentials then this period of service would be waived. If he is coming from another association it would be waived provided he actively holds valid credentials from a Free Will Baptist Church or Association.
  - (7) That all ordination services be conducted at the time and place recommended by the candidate's church.

ARTICLE FOUR, SECTION 3. The Christian Education Board shall be composed of three (3) members whose terms of office shall be three (3) years and whose terms shall be staggered so as only one member shall be replaced or re-elected each year. The District C.T.S. Director shall be an ex-officio member of this board.

The District C.T.S. Director shall be elected annually by the Association at its annual meeting.

Functions of this Board shall be

- a. Appoint youth camp director.
- b. To organize and supervise a camping program.
- c. To act as trustees and to hold title to any properties deeded to this association for the purpose of camping.
- d. To be responsible for all monies received for or related to the camping program of this association.
- e. To support and promote the education of our youth and Christian leaders.
- f. To be responsible for co-ordinating all C.T.S. programs of this association.

#### ARTICLE FIVE: COMMITTEES

Section 1. The nomination committee shall be composed of three (3) members to be elected at the October session and who shall serve for a period of one year.

Section 2. All committees not provided for by either the constitution or its by-laws may be appointed by the moderator as deemed necessary.

#### ARTICLE SIX: REPORTING

Section 1. Each church is requested to mail its report to the clerk fifteen (15) days prior to the association session.

Section 2. Each Woman's Auxiliary of the association shall give a report at the sessions.

Section 3. The District Woman's Auxiliary shall give a report at the annual meeting.

#### ARTICLE SEVEN: MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1. Forty percent (40%) of all offerings shall go for missions.

Section 2. Each minister and deacon who is a member of the Indian River Association shall be expected to attend or report to all associational meetings unless providentially hindered.

Section 3. The name, date of birth, date of death, age and church affiliation of any member overtaken by death each year shall be included in that year's minutes, and such information shall be given to the clerk-treasurer by the clerks of the churches.

- Section 4. At the death of a minister a page in the following year's minutes (draped in black as a memorial to the deceases) shall give all pertinent information concerning him and his ministry.
- Section 5. The constitution and by-laws, with any amendments and alterations, shall be printed in the annual minutes each year.
- Section 6. Robert's Rules of Order shall be the parliamentary guide for all meetings of the association or its auxiliaries, boards or committees.
- Section 7. A quorum shall consist of a majority of any board or committee.

#### ARTICLE EIGHT: AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be amended or altered at any regular session of the association by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the proper voting representation present--providing that the proposed amendment or alteration is presented in writing during one session, placed upon the table and voted upon in the next session.



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