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Fellowship

Sam Lucky

Palm Bay

Dewey North

Melbourne

Paul Francisco, Bill Swartz

New Hope
Fellowship

Herbert Rollins, Mike Taggart,
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Scottsmoor

Charles Allen

Auburndale

W. F. Davis, Lester Weitman, Jr.
Maxwell Paul

New Smyrna

Charles Randall Saunders

Faith

Van B. McClung, Charles H.
McClung
John Williams

OFFICERS

Moderator

James Christian, New Hope Fellowship

Vice Moderator

Randy Bryant, Ryan Wood Fellowship

Clerk-Treasurer

Ruby McClain, New Hope Fellowship

Asst. Clerk-Treasurer

Sandra Jackson, New Hope Fellowship

BOARDS & COMMITTEES

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Charles Rhodes
Henry Beard
John Henry

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Sam Lucky 1997
Randy Bryant 1998
Charles Allen 1999
Mike Taggart - CTS Director

MISSION BOARD

Randy Jackson 1997
Charlie Charles 1998
Thomas Thompson 1999
Jim Christian 2000
~~Benny Gates~~ 2001
Ron Burger

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Charles McClung 1997
Randy Jackson 1998
Bob Allen 1999

ORDINATION BOARD

Open 1997
Sam Lucky 1998
Bob Allen 1999
Jim Foster 2000
Bill Swartz 2001

CAMP BOARD

Randy Bryant
Henry Beard

IN MEMORY

AUBURNDALE

**Julia Hobbs
Thomas McLendon
Trammell Sellers
Maude Parrish
Evelyn Hutto**

MELBOURNE

Charlotte Graham

**INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION
QUARTERLY MEETING
Jan. 27, 1996**

The seventy ninth quarterly meeting of Indian River Association met at Okeechobee FWB Church on Jan. 27, 1996.

Randy Jackson led in the opening song "I Can Tell You the Time" with Sandra Jackson at the piano. Prayer was led by Bro. Jimmy Foster. Special music was presented by the Faith FWB Church followed by devotion by Bro. Charles McClung reading from James 5.

Seating of delegates.

MSC to accept minutes and treasurer report as printed. As a matter of information Randy Bryant reminded the churches that each church is suppose to send 50.00 per year to help host the National Assoc. meeting in 2003.

Bro. Sasser, state promotional secretary, gave a report concerning our state work. Theme for state meeting is "Boldly in the Throne, the pursuit of Prayer" which is to be May 8-10. Each church is asked to set aside a day of prayer for the state meeting.

Moderator called meeting back to order.

CE Report given by Bro. Randy Bryant and accepted. Convention for clerks and pastors to be at Ryanwood Fellowship on March 9, 1996.

Youth Camp Aug. 4-9

Dist. Comp. March 23

Mission Board Reports given by Rev. Dan Merkh and accepted.

Daytona Report given by him and entered as info. MSC to give the committee working with the Daytona Church a vote of confidence.

Ordaining Report by Bro. Bob Allen. The board recommended that Randy Sanders be ordained as a deacon (MSC) and that Bro. Bill Swartz also be ordained as a deacon (MSC).

Executive Board recommended that the Planning & Fellowship Meeting be discontinued but that the Executive Board continue to meet on Friday night two weeks prior to the Assoc. meeting (MSC).

The following committees gave reports and were accepted: Finance, Nomination, Statistical.

Business session adjourned.

The Indian River Assoc. was commended for their great efforts in their participation of the "Together Way Plan." Bro. Sasser expressed his thanks to the churches who have heard of the needs of the promotion office and fulfilled those needs by their giving.

Paul Bryant addressed the Assoc. concerning a mission project adopted by the youth of the state to help build a church in Uruguay. This will help our state missionary Rev. Dennis Owen.

WNAC reports given from: Auburndale, Faith, Ryanwood, Melbourne, New Hope, Scottsmoor and Smryna.

Stat. Comm. appointed as follows: Delma Bailes, Dorothy Briggs, Betty Swartz.

Master's Men Reports given from: Auburndale, New Hope, Ryanwood

Adjourn for 15 minutes for committees to meet.

Offering received.

Special music was presented by Sis. Collins of the Okeechobee church. Bro.

Randy Bryant brought the message.

Lunch provided by host church.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

1-27-96

ASSOCIATION MEETING PLACE: Auburndale **DATE:** 1-27-96

DEVOTION:	Sam Lucky
ALTERNATE:	Maxwell Paul
MESSAGE:	Carl Adkins
ALTERNATE:	John Henry

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Today's offering is \$76.77

The Finance Committee recommended the offering be given to the Indian River youth to go toward the state youth project.

Respectfully Submitted
Randy Jackson

MASTER'S MEN RYANWOOD

January 27, 1996

Meet first Wednesday of every month.

We have an average attendance of 6

We also have Saturday morning breakfast the first Saturday of every month. Our pastor held a Bible study, "Equipping men for spiritual battle."

We help support Alabama Children's Home. General maintenance around the church.

Bro. in Christ
Sam Lucky

DAYTONA CHURCH COMMITTEE

The committee contacted a lawyer who wrote to the Daytona church and stated that they were to vacate the property the first Sunday in December and that we would have an interim pastor present to take over the services. Their lawyer contacted our lawyer and said that they would not leave and that we would have to go to court. After the lawyers discussed the situation for some time, their lawyer said they would be willing to reimburse the denomination whatever expenses the denomination had in the past 20 years.

We were able to obtain records from the State Mission Board with a total of over \$116,000. Our lawyer wrote to them stating that we would accept \$50,000 or \$500.00 a month without interest as long as the payments were received on time. This letter was sent Dec. 29, 1995 and as of yesterday they have not responded to that letter.

Contact was made with one of the leading families in the church and they seem to be satisfied with the church's withdrawal from the quarterly meeting.

Respectfully Submitted
D. Merkh, Chairman

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ORDAINING BOARD

Upon meeting with Bro. Charles Randall Saunders of the New Smyrna Free Will Baptist church, we the Ordaining Board recommend that he be ordained as a deacon. The date and time be set by his home church.

Upon meeting with Bro. Bill H. Swartz of the Melbourne Free Will Baptist church, we also recommend that he be ordained as a deacon. The date and time be set by his home church.

May both of these men of good report serve their Lord, his church, and pastor, faithfully and in much prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Bob Allen, Chairman

NEW HOPE MASTERS MEN

Our Master's Men program has an average attendance of 10. This quarter, the Masters Men sponsored a trip to the Promise Keeper Clergy Conference for the pastor and youth pastor. Plans are being made for yearly fund raisers - the men are presently working on a renovation project of the fellowship hall, baptistery and kitchen areas. The men of the church meet every Tuesday for a time of prayer and devotion.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Williams

EXECUTIVE BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

Because of poor attendance the Board recommends that the Fellowship & Planning meeting be discontinued but Executive Board continue to meet at Cocoa on the Friday night two weeks prior to association meeting.

AUBURNDALE WNAC

The Women Locally Active for Christ, Auburndale, Florida meets the first Monday night of every month at the church. We have about 12 members and have an average of 10 attending. We use the Co-Laborer as our guide.

During this last quarter we have aided the state women in selling the cookbooks.

Our December meeting was our Ladies Night Out for Christmas. We invited every lady of our congregation. About 25 attended. Each lady brought a covered dish and a gift. We read the Christmas story, ate and exchanged gifts by drawing numbers. Everyone enjoyed our fellowship. January found us with very cold weather so our attendance was a bit down, but we still enjoyed our program and time together.

Our ladies sponsored a "Good Bucks" campaign in conjunction with our children's church. For each time a child attended, brought their bible or participated in other ways they were given a "good buck" which they were able to redeem for gifts donated by our congregation. Our young folks were able to get gifts for their family and themselves.

We helped our masters men with a chili supper at the same time as the good bucks were spent.

At our fall festival we had a country store filled with crafts, flavoring, etc. We have supported various mission projects each month.

Please pray for our women as they serve God at various times in various ways.

Peggy Hutto, President

MELBOURNE WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST

The Melbourne Women Active for Christ meet the first Thursday of each month. We currently have six ladies in membership. In December, we sponsored a Christmas Angel Tree, we delivered 38 gifts to the Florida Children's Home and various families in our community. In January, we collected blankets and jackets for the homeless. In February, we are planning a dinner and all donations will go toward establishing our church library. At our last meeting, we elected a mission's chairman, so she will be picking out a missionary to support monthly.

Vicki Burger

NEW HOPE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Our ladies average attendance was 11 women per meeting. We were involved in 2 fund-raisers. One was selling 2 year calendars and the other was selling the WNAC cookbooks. We put together 3 Thanksgiving baskets for families in need and also put together some care packages for our college students. We held our Annual Christmas Banquet which involves treating our shut-ins for Christmas. A very busy 3 months.

Respectfully submitted,
Corrine Ham

FAITH WNAC

The ladies of Faith FWB church, have as their meeting time, the second Sunday evening. Usually we meet at the church, but recently we were invited by Sister Lee Williams to meet at her home. We had a wonderful time of fellowship together after our business meeting. Right now, we have as our goal to put any funds we obtain into the effort to build a baptistery. We have a yard sale scheduled for Feb. 2nd and 3rd. Also we will be selling tickets for a breakfast scheduled for the 3rd Saturday morning in March. Proceeds from this will also go toward the baptistery. Pray for us.

Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie McClung

SMYRNA WNAC

We still have our meetings every fourth Saturday of the month. We have six members. Average attendance 5.

May to August - We raised \$254.13 to help some of our members go to a meeting in N.C. by having a clothing sale at a members house.

September meeting - we talked about the food for our homecoming.

October meeting - we had the first Saturday in November.

November to December - We used quarter folders to raise \$111.75 for home missions. Dec. 9th we had a spaghetti dinner and raised \$223.00.

On New Year's eve. we had 46 people. We took turns lighting candles and stood in the shape of a cross.

Secretary/Treasurer
Deborah Saunders

SCOTTSMOOR WNAC

Held Old Fashion Day and Pastor's Appreciation Day on November 5.

We purchased gifts for Children's Home in Titusville.

Continue to use Co-Laborer, support Dennis Owen, Ron Moore & WNAC.

Our average attendance is 3. Our Jan. project is a Stay at Home "Tea Party" to raise money for FWBB scholars.

Respectfully submitted

RYANWOOD FELLOWSHIP WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

REPORT TO THE INDIAN RIVER DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

The Ryanwood Fellowship Women's Ministries meets the first Wednesday night of each month. We use the Co-Laborer and other sources for our programs, and we average five in attendance. This past quarter we worked on selling the State Auxiliary cookbooks, made Thanksgiving baskets for shut-in members, and sent Christmas gifts to Mirial Gainer, a single missionary living in Japan. We also had our annual Christmas party and revealed Secret Sisters. We give regular monthly support to the Robert and Judy Bryan family in the Ivory Coast. I would also like to take this opportunity to encourage all of our women's groups who have been selling cookbooks to please send any monies they are holding to the state treasurer, Mrs. Thelma Wiggins, or to me - Diana Bryant. You will remember that the money from these books is going into our fund to pay for the National meeting in Tampa in 2003. This is quite a long way off, but the bill for these books has to be paid now, so we need to get our money in. I'd also like to encourage you to try to sell any books you may have remaining. If you have books that you don't think you are going to be able to sell, please let me know as there are women in other parts of the state who have asked for more. I really appreciate all the cooperation we have had on this huge project. Also, I'd like to let you know that we have secured a speaker for our State FWAC meeting in May, Mrs. Ruth McDonald, missionary to Japan. Most of our ladies will remember meeting Ruth before they left for the field and will enjoy hearing about their work. I'd like to encourage as many women as possible to be there for both the annual banquet and our meeting. More information about the meeting in May will be coming later.

Respectfully submitted, Diana Bryant

INDIAN RIVER MISSION BOARD

QUARTERLY REPORT

OCTOBER-DECEMBER 1995

The board received a letter of resignation from Rev. Roy Wilson effective November 2, 1995. Bro. Wilson stated in the letter that after much prayer and consideration he could not continue as missionary pastor to Palm Bay. The board has already begun searching for a new missionary pastor.

The building plans for the Palm Bay mission have been resubmitted to Engineering & Design Concepts, Inc. for revisions to be done. The elevation was altered from the original site plan so the engineer must change the plans in order to get a final inspection approved. The original plans did not have the ceiling diagram included and that correction will also be made. There are three contractors actively working on a price quote for the completion of the church, and as soon as we receive the revised plans they should have the estimates in a timely manner. The board would like to thank the members of the Palm Bay Mission for their patience during this slow and difficult process. Please make the construction of the church as well as the selection of a missionary pastor a priority in your prayers.

Respectfully submitted, Daniel Merkh, Chairman

AUBURNDALE MASTERS MEN

The Master's Men of the First Free Will baptist Church of Auburndale meets the second Monday of each month at the church. We used the Bible as our guide.

During the last quarter we have done remodeling work on our Sunday school rooms, work at the parsonage, preparing for our new pastor and various other clean up projects.

We hosted a chili supper in December for our entire church.

We have an average of 7 in attendance.

James Hutto, President

INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 1995

BEGINNING BALANCE

1,061.96

RECEIVED

Dues	495.00
Offering	57.00
Together Way Plan (Co-Op)	5,831.91
Scottsmoor	686.71
Melbourne	1,056.56
New Hope Fellowship	1,527.01
Ryanwood Fellowship	203.40
Faith	163.67
New Smyrna	408.39
Palm Bay	262.67
Auburndale	1,523.50

TOTAL RECEIVED

6,383.91

TOTAL

7,445.87

DISBURSEMENTS

Fla. State Assn. (Co-Op)	-3,499.14
Mission Board	-1,551.29
C.E. Board	-664.85
Board of Retirement	-116.63
Donation on Copier	-250.00
Paper for Newsletter	-174.50
Postage, calls & copies	-160.00

TOTAL

-6,416.41

DISBURSEMENTS

NEW BALANCE

1,029.46

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT **October 1, 1995 thru December 31, 1995**

BEGINNING BALANCE **\$1,242.50**

Deposits	664.85
Special Gift (Youth camp)	1,092.20
Interest	5.78
Disbursements	<u>- 525.00</u>
Balance on Hand	<u>\$2,480.33</u>

GENERAL FUND

BALANCE	271.49
Deposits	172.00
Disbursements	<u>- 25.00</u>
Balance	<u>418.49</u>

C.T.S. FUND

BALANCE	109.45
Deposits	33.23
Balance	<u>142.68</u>

COLLEGE FUND

BALANCE	289.25
Deposits	232.70
Disbursements	<u>- 500.00</u>
Balance	<u>21.95</u>

YOUTH CAMP FUND

BALANCE	572.31
Deposits	232.70
Special Gifts	<u>1,092.20</u>
Balance	<u>1,897.21</u>

TOTAL ALL FUNDS

2,480.33

DISBURSEMENTS

James Adkins (Scholarship)	250.00
Apryl Hamby (Scholarship)	250.00
Focus on Family	25.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS **-525.00**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD REPORT
January 27, 1996

The Christian Education Board has everything arranged for the Seminar for church and Association Clerks. The date of the seminar is March 9 beginning at 9:30. The seminar will be held at Ryanwood Fellowship with an appreciation luncheon at the Golden Reef. We are encouraging every clerk, their spouse and Pastor and wife to attend. There will be a \$5 registration fee which will include the seminar, the Appreciation Luncheon, and a gift for each clerk. If you need more information, please see Randy Bryant.

The Youth Camp Board will be meeting next weekend. If you have any suggestions or comments concerning Camp Sonshine, please let myself or Bro. Carl Adkins know. Camp Sonshine will again be the first week of August, which is the 4th-9th.

After the break this morning, the C.E. Board will announce the date for the District CTS Competition under the direction of Mike Taggart. (March 23 - 9:00)

Respectfully submitted, Randy Bryant, Chairman

INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD
QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT
OCTOBER - DECEMBER, 1995

<u>BEGINNING BALANCE</u>	\$ 79,322.20
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DEPOSITS

October 27	1,004.24
November 20	285.94

TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,290.18
DRAFT DIVIDENDS	440.12
TOTAL	1,730.30

DISBURSEMENTS

672	Rod Northcutt	683.88
673	U.S. Postal Service	32.00
674	ITT Hartford (Insur.)	857.00
675	Dean, Mead, Spiel & Goldman	498.22
676	Rev. Dan Merkh	23.85
677	Rev. Randy Jackson	41.76
678	Rev. Wm. Compton	200.00
679	Rev. Dan Merkh	91.12

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$2,427.83
NEW BALANCE	\$78,624.67
CHECKBOOK BALANCE	\$79,980.02

**INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING
APRIL 27, 1996**

The twenty fourth annual meeting of Indian River Assoc. of Original Free Will Baptists of Florida met at First FWB Church of Auburndale on April 27, 1996. Opened with congregation singing "Bring Them In". Prayer led by Bro. Charles Rhodes. Devotion was given by Bro. Sam Lucky using Matt. 8:5 titled "Do we really care?"

Business session opened with seating of delegates.
Bro. Willie Jones was welcomed and Bro. Charlie Charles was welcomed as the new pastor of Auburndale church.
Annual minutes & treasurer's report were accepted as printed.

Statistical Committee appointed as follows:

Dorothy Briggs, Mary North, Mary Swartz

Obituary Committee appointed as follows:

Bill Swartz, Henry Beard, Mike Taggart

WNAC. reports received from Scottsmoor, New Hope Fellowship and Auburndale. Oral reports given for Ryanwood Fellowship and Faith.

Master's Men reports from Ryanwood Fellowship. Oral report for Melbourne.

Mission Board report given and accepted..

CE Board report given and accepted.

Daytona Committee - report given and accepted.

Report on the youth group given by Paul Bryant.

Break for committees to meet.

Ordaining Board report given by Sam Lucky. Recommend that Bro. Charlie Charles be admitted as ordained minister pending letter from his former association. (MSC)

Statistical Committee report given by Mary North.

Obituary Committee report given by Mike Taggart.

Nomination Committee report given by Bro. Henry Beard and accepted item by item.

Delegates for State Meeting volunteered - Margaret Merkh, Mike Taggart, Moderator given permission to appoint others at the meeting.

Teachers seminar was announced by June 28 and 29 at Melbourne church to be taught by Bro. Loveless from Randall House.

Meeting adjourned.

Special music by Sandra Jackson & Shirley Ham. Message by Bro. John Henry from II Chron. 7:14 entitled "Revival."

STATISTICAL COMMITTEE REPORT

22 Delegates

15 Visitors

2 Clerks

9 Ministers

9 Deacons

57 TOTAL

VERO BEACH MASTER'S MEN

Conduct monthly Saturday breakfasts with approximately 6 men in attendance.

Support Master Men Department, Alabama Children's Home, Yard sale raising \$325.00 and enjoyed good fellowship.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

APRIL 27, 1996

Assoc. Meeting July 27, 1996

Faith FWB Church

Devotion:

Bill H. Swartz

Alt.

Maxwell Paul

Message:

Charlie Charles

Alt.

Robert Allen

Nominating Committee

Charles Rhodes

Henry Beard

John Henry

Finance Committee

Charles McClung 1997

Randy Jackson 1998

Bob Allen 1999

Christian Education Board

Sam Lucky 1997

Randy Bryant 1998

Charles Allen 1999

Ordaining Board

L.H. Hallum 1997

Sam Lucky 1998

Bob Allen 1999

Jim Foster 2000

Bill H. Swartz 2001

Mike Taggart CTS Director

Mission Board

Randy Jackson 1997

W.F. Davis 1998

Dan Merkh 1999

Jim Christian 2000

Benny Gates 2001

Camp Board

Randy Bryant

Henry Beard

SCOTTSMOOR AUXILIARY

Average attendance 4

Our activities have been as follows:

1. Supported Dennis Owens, Palm Bay Mission, Bayshore Church in St. Petersburg.
2. Participated in sale of cook books.
3. Held egg hunt for the children.
4. Helped with providing breakfast for those that attended Easter's Sunrise Service.
5. Purchased engraved plates to identify and show dates of service to our past pastors.

We continue to meet once a month and enjoy the lessons from the Co-Laborer Magazine.

AUBURNDALE AUXILIARY

We meet the first Monday night of every month at the church. We enjoy the programs from the Co-Laborer. This quarter we have supported our state project. We use quarter folders a lot to get our support from the church. We also used the 30 pieces of silver bags at Easter. Our ladies decorated the church for Palm Sunday & Easter Sunday. We also assisted our men in their fish fry. We average 10 in attendance.

Peggy Hutto

NEW HOPE FELLOWSHIP WOMAN'S AUX.

Average Attendance 12

The ladies put on an annual Sweetheart's Banquet inviting singles and couples. There were games, food and door prizes. We held our bi-annual Easter Egg Sale in April. Our ladies participated in the State WNAC cookbook by sending in our special recipes. We gave a "Just Because We Love You" banquet for one of our special ladies in the church. We gave two going away to college parties and a gift certificate for the arrival of a new baby. We held another fund-raiser and it included selling two year calendars. The ladies collected food for Thanksgiving baskets that were handed out to people in need. We participated in selling a box of cookbooks. We gave a project to all the Children's Sunday School classes to participate in collecting change for our foreign missionary, Dennis Owen. Finally we held our annual Christmas Banquet and revealed Secret Pals.

Corrine Ham

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD REPORT

April 27, 1996

The Christian Education Board sponsored a Clerk's Seminar at Ryanwood Fellowship on March 9. We had good participation with 9 churches and 3 Associations represented. About 40 clerks, pastors, and their spouses were present for this seminar.

On March 23, the District CTS Competition was held at New Hope Fellowship. Even though the quantity was down, the quality was very good. We commend those from Melbourne and New Hope for their diligent efforts. We want to express our thanks to Mike Taggart for his direction of the competition.

The majority of our Board's focus this quarter is on Youth Camp. Camp Sonshine will be held August 4-9 at Camp Challenge in Sorrento. We do need your help to make this camp a success. We need good workers to help us for the week. I can promise you a week you will never forget. We also need you to send us campers to make this year one of the best camps ever. Can we count on you?

In His Service, Rev. Randy Bryant, Chairman

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1996 - March 31, 1996

<u>BEGINNING BALANCE</u>	<u>\$2,480.33</u>
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Deposits	1,307.62
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Special Gifts:	
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Greater St. John Association	116.10
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Calvary Chapel	300.00
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Interest	10.31
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Disbursements	<u>- 889.14</u>
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Balance on Hand	<u>\$3,325.22</u>
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GENERAL FUND

BALANCE	419.49
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Deposits	350.99
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Transf. from C.T.S. Fund	<u>142.68</u>
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Deposit (Clerk's Seminar)	<u>172.00</u>
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Total Deposits	<u>1084.16</u>
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD
QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT
January 1, 1996 - March 31, 1996
(continued)

DISBURSEMENTS

Dept. of State (Camp)	61.25
Ryanwood Fellowship	27.38
Friars Doughnuts	14.94
Golden Reef (Clerks Seminar)	218.32
Clerks Sem. (Diana Bryant)	25.80
Randall House Publications	84.70
C.T.S. (Mike Taggart)	151.75
Fl. State Youth Brd (Regist.)	205.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<u>-789.14</u>
BALANCE ON HAND	<u>295.02</u>

CAMP FUND

BALANCE	1,897.21
Deposits	397.47
Special Gifts:	
Greater St. Johns Assoc.	116.10
Calvary Chapel	300.00
Disb. Camp Seminar/Material	<u>100.00</u>
BALANCE ON HAND	<u>2,610.78</u>

COLLEGE FUND

BALANCE	21.95
Deposits	<u>397.47</u>
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	<u>\$3,325.22</u>

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD'S ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1995 - December 31, 1995

<u>BEGINNING BALANCE</u>	<u>\$1,580.85</u>
DEPOSITS	3,590.07
INTEREST	31.74
SPECIAL GIFTS (YOUTH CP)	<u>1,302.20</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	<u>4,024.53</u>
Balance on Hand	<u>\$2,480.33</u>

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	
BALANCE	532.46
Deposits	936.76
<u>Disbursements</u>	
1-27-95 Classic Awards	37.75
3-18-95 Postage Stamps	11.52
3-26-95 FWAC Cookbook	15.00
4-29-95 I.R.A. Computer	500.00
4-17-95 CTS Competition	152.70
8-10-95 V. Bch. Lock In	50.00
8-16-95 Chris. Film Service	106.29
9-16-96 Seminar	50.00
9-16-95 Seminar	50.00
10-1-95 Randall House	52.47
11-8-95 Focus on Family	25.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	1,050.73
Balance on Hand	<u>\$418.49</u>

<u>C.T.S. FUND</u>	
BALANCE	167.49
Deposits	178.99
<u>Disbursements</u>	
State CTS Registration	140.00
Randall House	63.80
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	223.80
Balance on Hand	<u>\$142.68</u>

<u>COLLEGE FUND</u>	
BALANCE	268.92
Deposits	1,253.03
<u>Disbursements</u>	
FWBBC (Apryl Hamby)	500.00
FWBBC (James Adkins)	500.00
FWBBC (Apryl Hamby)	250.00
FWBBC (James Adkins)	250.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	1,500.00
Balance on Hand	<u>\$21.95</u>

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD'S
ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
January 1, 1995 - December 31, 1995
(Continued)

<u>CAMP FUND</u>	
BALANCE	611.98
Deposits	1,253.03
Special Gifts	1,302.20
<u>Disbursements</u>	
6/5/95 Camp Material	100.00
7/2/95 Camp Seminar	100.00
7/29/95 Camp Sonshine (food)	1,070.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	1,270.00
Balance on Hand	\$1,897.21

INDIAN RIVER MISSION BOARD
QUARTERLY REPORT
January - March, 1996

The board is actively involved in contacting contractors for the completion of the Palm Bay Mission. Several name of contractors have been given to us by church members and other residents of Palm Bay. To date, four general contractors have responded with price quotations. A deadline has been set for April 31 to receive bids. The board will meet the first week of May to meet with the contractor which has the lowest bid and will also be able to complete the project in a timely manner. From conversations with the contractors, I have been told that August is a reasonable date for the completion of the construction work. We would like to thank the Palm Bay Church for their patience during this extended time of negotiations.

INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION
REPORT ON DAYTONA

After further investigation into the Daytona problem, this committee recommends that any forward attempts of recovering this work be discontinued. This recommendation is based upon the following:

1. Any forward action would require court proceedings.
2. The two original families that remain have stated through conversation with the Moderator, Jim Christian, that they are happy with the present situation.
3. With the reverter clauses on the warranty deed, there is no real property to be recovered.

**INDIAN RIVER MISSION BOARD
ANNUAL REPORT
January - December, 1995**

This year I.R. Mission Board has had a very busy and frustrating year. The church loan for the Palm Bay Mission was approved by the National Home Mission Board for the amount of \$80,000. The loan was closed and the Gwinn mortgage was satisfied at a total of \$24,702.

The Board received a letter of resignation from Rev. Roy Wilson as missionary pastor. Bro. Wilson was having a difficult time raising his support and he felt that he couldn't have a good working relationship with the board. We are currently seeking the Lord's leadership as we search for a new missionary pastor.

The Board has been frustrated in our attempts to secure a general contractor to complete the church. There have been approximately twenty (20) contractors contacted and given building plans for price quotes. The National Master's Men have also been contacted and a set of plans have been mailed to them.

Please continue to pray and remain faithful as God continues His work in Palm Bay.

**INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD
QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT
January - March 1996**

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$78,624.67
Deposits	
January 5	794.77
January 16	560.58
February 20	887.84
March 15	1,208.70
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$3,451.89
DRAFT DIVIDENDS	399.14
Disbursements	
Engineering Design	437.00
Rev. William Compton	554.94
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$991.94
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$78,624.67
DEPOSITS AND DIVIDENDS	3,851.03
DISBURSEMENTS	991.94
ENDING BALANCE	\$81,483.76
CHECKBOOK BALANCE (APRIL 26, 1996)	82,131.98

INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD
ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
January - December 1995

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$23,226.27
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Deposits	
January	1,349.26
February	896.78
March	1,506.84
May	1,074.56
June	132.04
August	1,757.98
August	55,216.33
Sept.	605.93
October	1,004.24
November	285.94

TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$63,829.90
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DRAFT DIVIDENDS	824.18
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TOTAL	\$64,654.08
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Disbursements	
January - March	417.28
April - June	4,355.34
July - September	2,055.23
October - December	2,427.83

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$9,255.68
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BEGINNING BALANCE	\$23,226.27
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DEPOSITS AND DIVIDENDS	64,654.08
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	9,255.68
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ENDING BALANCE	\$78,624.67
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INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION
QUARTERLY TREASURER REPORT

Jan. Feb. Mar. 1996

BEGINNING BALANCE

1,029.46

RECEIVED

National Mtg.	100.00
Dues	405.00
Offering	76.65
Together Way Plan (Co-Op)	9,961.44
Scottsmoor	584.01
Melbourne	3,948.97
Auburndale	1,812.95
New Hope Fellowship	2,299.12
Ryanwood Fellowship	302.04
Faith	167.62
New Smyrna	545.00
Palm Bay	301.73

TOTAL RECEIVED

10,543.09

TOTAL

11,572.55

DISBURSEMENTS

Fla. State Assn. (Co-Op)	-5,976.85
Mission Board	-2,649.76
CE Board	-1,135.62
Board of Retirement	-199.21
National Meeting	-100.00
Rev. Dan Merkh (Traveling Expenses)	-77.58
Association Youth Group	-76.65
Supplies & phone calls	-15.50
Newsletter	-247.66

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

10,478.83

NEW BALANCE

1,093.72

INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
JAN. 1, 1995 THRU DEC. 1995

BEGINNING BALANCE

\$1,875.67

RECEIVED

Dues		1,935.00
Offering		269.38
National Meeting		50.00
Donations on Computer		1,500.00
TWP (Co-Operative Plan)		31,414.60
Scottsmoor	2,882.75	
Melbourne	7,279.60	
Auburndale	6,297.09	
New Hope Fellowship	9,372.18	
Ryanwood Fellowship	1,229.23	
Faith	583.77	
Daytona	200.00	
New Smyrna	1,603.03	
Palm Bay	982.92	
Trinity	984.03	

TOTAL RECEIVED
TOTAL

35,168.98
\$37,044.65

DISBURSEMENTS

Fla. State Assn. (Co-Op)	-18,848.76
Mission Board	-8,353.48
CE Board	-3,580.07
Board of Retirement	-632.29
National Meeting	-50.00
Donations on Copier	-250.00
Computer	-2,669.52
State dues	-330.00
State Promotional Dept.	-64.22
Honorariums	-400.00
Dennis Owen	-383.35
Paper for newsletter	-174.50
Postage, calls & copies	-279.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS
TOTAL
NEW BALANCE

36,015.19
37,044.65
1,029.46

**INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION
QUARTERLY MEETING
AUGUST 10, 1996**

The eightieth quarterly meeting of Indian River Association of Free Will Baptists met at New Smyrna FWB Church on August 10, 1996.

Opened with song "Praise Him" led by Bro. Randy Jackson. Bro. Benny Gates led in prayer followed with devotion given by Bro. Bill Swartz from II Peter 12. Moderator Bro. Jim Christian opened the business session by seating delegates.

Statistical Committee appointed as follows: Mary North, Helen Allen, Nellie Skaggs. Minutes accepted with correction of Betty Swartz instead of Mary Swartz. Treasurer's report accepted as printed.

WNAC reports received from Scottsmoor and New Hope Fellowship. Oral Master's Men received from Melbourne. Purchased 60 Rejoice Song Books. Planning to erect parking area for seniors and other church projects planned.

CE Board report given by Sam Lucky and accepted. Youth Group report given by Paul Bryant and accepted. Mission Board report given by Bro. Randy Jackson and accepted. In accepting this report we also accept Bro. Dan Merkh's resignation from Mission Board. Please pray for Bro. Thompson's physical condition. Offering received. Break for committees to meet. Meeting resumed.

Letter of resignation from Ordaining Board from Bro. L.H. Hallum was read by the moderator, and accepted. This position left vacant until April meeting unless the situation changes. Also, replacement for Bro. Dan Merkh and Bro. Ted Davis will be taken care of in April. Finance Committee report given by Bro. Jackson. Nomination Committee report given by Bro Beard. Statistical Committee report by Mary North. All these reports accepted as given. Business session adjourned.

Special puppet show was enjoyed by all.

Message brought by Bro. Bob Allen using Proverbs 29:18 "Where there is no vision the people perish." Lunch served by host church.

SCOTTSMOOR WNAC

Our average attendance is 5, and we continue to use the Co-Laborer. During this period we have supported W.N.A.C., Dennis Owens and Palm Bay. We gave money to purchase a Song Book for the McDonalds, our missionaries to Japan. We have held two spaghetti dinners and yard sales to raise money for the auxiliary, and to send a child to camp. We purchased blinds for the parsonage.

NEW HOPE FELLOWSHIP WNAC

Covering April, May, June

Enrolled 12

Average Attendance 8

We meet monthly on the first Wednesday night at the church. We use the Co-Laborer Magazine and take turns presenting the program. We support Dennis Owen, Palm Bay Mission, Underground Evangelism, and Pastor's Retirement. We gave "Just Because We Love Your" fellowship & special song service for Bro. Arthur Chaffin and a special poem was written in his honor. Cake, ice cream & gifts followed in the fellowship hall. We honored Bro. & Sis. Robinson on their 50th wedding anniversary with a special song service and time of fellowship. Bro. Robinson shared with us how he met Estelle and how happy they've been these fifty years together. As a fund raiser we sponsored a kitchen utensil sale. We have two more fund raisers planned for this year and a wedding shower.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Today's offering is \$60.00. We recommend that the money be given to the "Make A Way for Uruguay" Fund.

Respectfully Submitted

Bob Allen, Charles McClung, Randy Jackson

STATISTICAL REPORT

Delegates	24
Clerks	3
Ministers	9
Visitors	3
Deacons	<u>6</u>
TOTAL	45

AUBURNDALE

Bro. Trammell Sellers went to be with the Lord.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT AUGUST 10, 1996

Association Meeting
Faith FWB Church

October 26, 1996

Devotion:	Maxwell Paul
Alt:	Sam Lucky
Message:	Bro. Charlie Charles

INDIAN RIVER MISSION BOARD
QUARTERLY REPORT
August 10, 1996

The Indian River Mission Board has been very busy the last few months with the Palm Bay mission. The board hired MD Construction Services, based in Altamonte Springs, FL to complete construction of the church. The following progress has been made:

- The church has been cleaned out and a 15'x30' storage building rented for pews, etc.
- The drywall has been moved to the church from Sis. Bailes garage.
- Building permits acquired.
- The well and septic tank has been inspected.
- The contractor has selected electrical, plumbing and A/C sub-contractors.
- A structural engineer has approved the existing building and required the contractor to torque the bolts and to pour a footer around the building to protect the slab.
- The A/C capacity is being recalculated to accommodate a full building.
- The power supply is being changed to three-phase.

The contractor has given an estimated job completion time for September 15, 1996. The board is actively seeking a missionary pastor for the Palm Bay mission. Bro. Merkh called Trymon Messer in Nashville, TN, and received three names for the board to consider.

1. Eric Hurst
2. Larry Ball
3. John Reed

We have contacted the men and received the following information:

Eric Hurst is a young preacher with no pastoral experience.

We received no reply from Larry Ball, Bro. Merkh has been unable to contact him.

John Reed was contacted and agreed to come to Florida from Virginia for the board to examine him, but since called and expressed that he is prayerfully declining at this time. We will continue to search for a qualified Godly man to pastor at Palm Bay.

It is with regret that the board informs you that Dan Merkh, Chairman of the mission board has resigned. Bro Dan will be moving to Virginia, where he will be establishing a new Free Will Baptist church. We will sorely miss Bro & Sis. Merkh and our prayers and thought are with them as they move to Virginia.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD REPORT

August 10, 1996

On June 28-29, our Board co-sponsored along with the Melbourne Church, a Sunday School Seminar with Dr. Alton Loveless. The attendance and response was generally good, although some churches who had committed to come did not make it. We appreciate the Melbourne Church hosting this seminar and planning its program.

Camp Sonshine '96 was concluded yesterday at Camp Challenge in Sorrento. We had a total of 155 in attendance for the week. Camp Sonshine '96 proved to be one of the best camps we have ever had. The spirit was great, the discipline problems few, and the response for Christ was outstanding. Thus far, we have recorded 5 salvation decisions, 19 rededications and several decisions of other types. We greatly appreciate our churches for sending us their campers and workers. We are indebted to the many adults who come and serve in this capacity. We appreciate also the financial support of the camp. Our Association carries the majority of the financial weight of the camp, however there is still a need for your gifts. The financial side of this year's camp appears to be at best - break even. If your church would like to give a special offering at this time, it would be most appreciative.

In His Service, Randy Bryant, Chairman

MELBOURNE WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY REPORT

During the month of April we made photo albums for Mothers Day. We also had a shower for our church nursery and received much needed toys, books, etc. During the month of May we hosted a Mother's Day breakfast. During the month of June we held our regular meeting and discussed future goals and plans.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD'S
QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT
April - May - June 1996

<u>BEGINNING BALANCE</u>	<u>\$3,325.22</u>
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DEPOSITS	990.70
SPECIAL GIFT	67.71
INTEREST	12.14
DISBURSEMENTS	<u>150.00</u>
Balance	<u>\$4,245.77</u>

GENERAL FUND

BALANCE	295.02
Deposits	297.14
Disbursements	<u>150.00</u>
Balance	<u>454.30</u>

COLLEGE FUND

BALANCE	419.42
Deposits	<u>346.63</u>
Balance	<u>766.05</u>

YOUTH CAMP

BALANCE	2,610.78
Deposits	346.93
Special Gift	67.71
Balance	<u>3,025.42</u>

Total all Funds	<u>4,245.77</u>
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INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION
QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT
April, May, June 1996

BEGINNING BALANCE

\$1,093.72

RECEIVED

Dues		450.00
Offering		61.00
Co-Operative Plan		8,592.85
Scottsmoor	653.41	
Melbourne	2,117.89	
Auburndale	1,751.34	
New Hope Fellowship	2,626.72	
Ryanwood Fellowship	385.29	
Faith	220.26	
New Smyrna	521.00	
Palm Bay	316.94	
	TOTAL RECEIVED	<u>9,103.85</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$10,197.57</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Fla. State Assn. (Co-Op)	-5,155.68
Mission Board	-2,311.62
CE Board	-990.70
Board of Retirement	-173.80
State Dues	-300.00
Travel Exp. Dan Merkh	-31.71
Moderator Honorarium	-200.00
Clerk Honorarium	-200.00
Newsletter Postage	-42.26
Annual Minutes	-138.50
	<u>-9,544.27</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	
NEW BALANCE	<u>\$653.30</u>

**INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION
QUARTERLY MEETING
October 26, 1996**

The eighty first quarterly meeting of Indian River Assn. of Free Will Baptists met at Faith FWB Church on October 26, 1996. Opened with song "Victory in Jesus" led by Bro. Randy Jackson. Prayer by Bob Thompson from the Palm Bay Church. Business session opened by Bro. Jim Christian by seating the delegates. Auburndale church letter was not received so the delegates from Auburndale church were seated separately.

Treasurer's Report was corrected of a typing error and then received.

Statistical Committee Mary North, Betty Swartz, Dorothy Briggs.

Minutes accepted as printed.

WNAC reports received from Scottsmoor, Smyrna, Auburndale, New Hope Fellowship, Ryanwood Fellowship and Melbourne.

Youth report given by Rachel Bryant.

Report given by Rev. Millard Sasser our State Promotional Secretary. The Mission Church in St. Petersburg paid off their loan this month. Bro. Sasser encouraged those giving to this work to continue to do so to help with Bro. Alligood's salary. Bro. Sasser spoke of the Jacksonville Mission and also the Renager Mission work in Miami. He then addressed the work of the Christian Education Board as being a vital work in our state. What could be more important than the study of God's work.

CE report by Randy Bryant and accepted as read.

Adjourned for committee break.

Statistical Committee report given and accepted.

Finance Committee report given and suggested that today's offering be given to the "Make A Way for Uruguay". (MSC) Offering taken \$85.30.

Mission Board report by Randy Jackson.

Nomination Committee report by Bro. Beard.

Bro. Charlie Charles will replace Ted Davis on Mission Board. Tommy Thompson will replace Dan Merkh on Mission Board. MSC to receive these nominees. MSC that assoc. make a one time pledge of \$300.00 to the "Make A Way for Uruguay" fund. Bro. Mike Taggart gave a report as the District CTS Director. Bro. Taggart is planning a competition rally in January.

Ordaining Board Bro. Bob Allen mentioned that there is a vacancy on the Board. Bro. Jim asked Bro. Beard on the Nomination Committee to look into this. Motion to adjourn. (MSC)

Special music presented by Faith Church. Message brought by Bro. Charlie Charles titled "Against the Devil."

STATISTICAL REPORT

Ministers	12
Deacons	6
Clerks	3
Delegates	29
Visitors	17
Total Present	67

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Oct. 26, 1996

Association Meeting
Scottsmoor FWB Church

January 25, 1997

Devotion	Maxwell Paul
Alternate	Sam Lucky
Message	Randy Jackson
Alternate	Benny Gates

MISSION BOARD REPLACEMENTS

Charlie Charles	1998
Thomas Thompson	1999

AUBURNDALE AUXILIARY

We meet monthly at the church. We use the Co-Laborer. We supported student loan, WNAC, and supported our youth groups in their activities. Supplied food for bereaved families, and supported the State projects.

RYANWOOD FELLOWSHIP WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

The Ryanwood Fellowship Women's Ministries meet the first Wednesday night of each month with an average attendance of 5. We support the Bryan family in the Ivory Coast and the Co-Laborer fund monthly. This past quarter we purchased a communion set and children church materials for the McDonald family in Japan. In September, we watched a video that featured our National office in Nashville, the provision closet, and our employees there. Two of our women attended the National Retreat at Ridgecrest in North Carolina where 505 women from around the country met and heard from several of our missionaries. For our Christmas project, we are raising money to help the Florida Youth in their efforts to raise \$150,000 for a new church building in Uruguay.

Diana Bryant

STATE YOUTH PROJECT REPORT

As most of you know the youth in the State of Florida adopted a project to raise money to help Dennis Owen build a church in Uruguay. The Indian River youth has raised about \$350.00 so far. To help with this project we will have a walk-a-thon Nov. 23 at Cocoa High School. I would encourage Pastors to encourage the youth to participate in this event, and get your congregation to sponsor them. There will be a free T-shirt for kids that raise over \$100 and many other prizes for the top fund raisers. Also, at the break and after the service I will be selling license plates for \$5 which state "We attend a Free Will Baptist Church". The profits from the plates will go towards our project. I'm giving this report for Paul Bryant, Indian River Representative.

Rachel Bryant

SCOTSMOOR AUXILIARY

We continue to meet on the second Tuesday of each month. Our average attendance is 4. We held a Foodless Bake Sale to raise money for our Emphasis offering in August. In September we held open house at the parsonage for everyone to see the work that has been accomplished. In October we have had a yard sale to raise money for the auxiliary. We prepared food for the men working on the church steeple. This quarter we have supported Bro. Alligood at St. Petersburg, Bro. Whitehead at Jacksonville and New Spanish Church in Miami.

NEW HOPE FELLOWSHIP LADIES AUXILIARY

We meet every Wednesday after the 1st Sunday. Our average attendance is 12. We use the Co-Laborer for our monthly programs. We give monthly to Mission without Borders, Children's Home in Eldridge Al., Palm Bay Mission, Foreign Missionary Dennis & Trina Owens & our Pastor's retirement fund.

MELBOURNE LADIES AUXILIARY

We meet the first Thursday of each month. We have 8 members, with an average attendance of 10 ladies. In July we held our regular meeting. In August we started secret pals and a friendship chain. In September we have started collecting blankets for the homeless. Pray for us as we do God's service.

SMYRNA LADIES AUXILIARY

In July, Shirley Rhodes, Peggy Warrens and Aggie Freeman went to Texas for the national association. Nicole Saunders attended with them representing the puppeteers. We hosted the Indian River Association in August. In September, we had a yard sale with the proceeds going to help a family in our church who was in need. Our fall enlargement campaign kicked off on Sunday, September 15. We had a special program by the Children's Church. We're looking forward to October when we'll have our homecoming and a revival.

**INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD
QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT
July - September, 1996**

<u>BEGINNING BALANCE</u>	<u>\$82,019.49</u>
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DEPOSITS

July 2	963.51
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August 27	559.70
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September 18	1,294.31
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<u>TOTAL DEPOSITS</u>	2,817.52
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<u>DRAFT DIVIDENDS</u>	358.37
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DISBURSEMENTS

MD Construction	1,500.00
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Palm Bay Storage	461.57
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MD Construction	2,500.00
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Lloyd Hiers	100.00
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Engineering Design	305.40
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MD Construction	2,985.81
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MD Construction	8,000.00
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Palm Bay Storage	256.52
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MD Construction	6,000.00
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MD Construction	9,699.37
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Maintenance Fee	4.00
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$31,812.67
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Beginning Balance	\$82,019.49
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Deposits and Dividends	3,175.89
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Total Disbursements	31,812.67
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ENDING BALANCE	\$53,382.71
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October Disbursement	10,256.52
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October Deposits	1,191.31
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Checkbook Balance	44,317.50
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INDIAN RIVER MISSION BOARD
QUARTERLY REPORT
OCTOBER 26, 1996

The construction of the Palm Bay mission work is in a stop work status. On Friday, October 18, 1996, the M.D. Construction Services Inc. brought a construction summary to Randy Jackson with the following information:

Total paid out to date	\$44,888.00
Estimated balance to finish	\$76,006.00
Total construction costs	\$118,894.00

The M.D. Construction company was instructed to stop work until this financial matter could be resolved. The mission board has a signed agreement for \$65,000 or less with M.D. Construction for a turn key project. The board has scheduled a meeting with M.D. construction on Tuesday October 29, 1996 to resolve this matter. There are several sub-contractors that have not been paid for the work that they have completed at a total of \$15,755.21. To date the following work has been complete:

- The site work is 65% complete
- The slab has been stabilized by pumping concrete under the slab
- A potable water well has been dug
- Sidewalk and handicap ramps have been poured
- New front doors and windows have been purchased but not installed
- Metal studs are up and ready for dry wall installation
- Changes have been made to the electrical work and some finish completed
- A/C duct has been run

Until the problems with the contract have been settled the stop work order will be upheld by the mission board.

Please make this problem an item of prayer, that it can be settled in a timely manner.

Respectfully submitted, Randy Jackson, Sec. Treas.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD REPORT

October 26, 1996

The Christian Education Board is happy to report to you about our successful Camp Sonshine. Camp Sonshine was held the first week of August, which was actually in this past quarter. We had a total of 168 in camp with numerous decisions for salvation and rededication. Along with these were several other decisions of commitment. We are grateful to the churches who supplies us with workers, campers, and funds. We pretty much broke even on our finances for camp this year. We will be facing a fee increase for next year to coincide with an increase in camp rental.

At the present time, our Board does not have anything on the schedule for this quarter. We are going to be exploring the possibility of a Seminar for Treasurers, This would be much like the one we had for Church Clerks. We would like your input as to whether this is something you would find beneficial or not.

Our Board would also like to remind you that we still have 2 video series on this ministry of Deacons. These videos will benefit your church and your deacons. We also have the complete "Chuck Bradley Church Growth" video series. These two series will certainly help your church if you will take advantage of them.

In His Service, Randy Bryant, Chairman

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD'S
QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT
July - August - September 1996

<u>BEGINNING BALANCE</u>	<u>\$4,245.77</u>
DEPOSITS	9,658.18
CO-OP	909.76
INTEREST	9.00
REFUND FROM LOCK-IN	50.00
GREATER ST. JOHN ASSOC.	153.68
DISBURSEMENTS	13,347.46
Balance on Hand	<u>\$1,678.93</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	
BALANCE	454.30
Deposits	292.94
Interest	9.00
Refund from Lock-In	50.00
<u>Disbursements</u>	
Sam's Club (Quicken)	39.37
Lock-In	50.00
Randall House	68.81
Balance on Hand	<u>\$628.06</u>
<u>COLLEGE FUND</u>	
BALANCE	766.05
Deposits	318.41
<u>Disbursements</u>	
Apryl Hamby	500.00
Balance on Hand	<u>\$584.46</u>
<u>YOUTH CAMP</u>	
BALANCE	\$3,025.42
Deposits	
Co-Op	318.41
Greater St. John Assoc.	153.68
Camp Registration	9,658.18
<u>Disbursements</u>	
Seminars	100.00
Food for Camp	3,313.08
Insurance	350.00
T-Shirts/Equipment	233.08
Honorarium	1,100.00
Rent on Camp	7,475.00
Christian Film Service	105.32
Balance on Hand	<u>\$466.41</u>
TOTAL FOR ALL FUNDS	<u>\$1,678.93</u>

CAMP SONSHINE '96
FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts:

Gifts:

Camp Sonshine	275.00
South FL Assoc.	60.00
Greater St. Johns' Assoc.	289.23
Home Mission Board	651.78
Calvary Chapel	300.00
Indian River	1539.31
Registration	8177.35
Snack Shop	1253.60
T-Shirts	230.00
Reimbursed Honorarium	75.00

Total 12,931.47

Disbursements:

Camp Challenge	7475.00
Films	105.32
Groceries	1801.46
T-Shirts	211.45
Snack Shop	655.84
Postage	32.84
Crafts	182.60
Worker's Seminar	100.00
Tubing	329.50
Miscellaneous	255.78
Accident Insurance	350.00
Honorariums:	
Director	300.00
Asst. Director	150.00
Evangelist	300.00
Head Cook	200.00
Kitchen Helpers (3 @ 75)	225.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS 12,674.79

BALANCE - 8/31/96 257.68

INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION

QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT

July, August, September 1996

BEGINNING BALANCE

653.30

RECEIVED

Dues		450.00
Offering		60.00
Tampa Meeting Year 2003		50.00
Together Way Plan (Co-Op)		7,980.32
Scottsmoor	530.80	
Melbourne	1,662.56	
Auburndale	1,618.31	
New Hope Fellowship	2,395.73	
Ryanwood Fellowship	209.55	
Faith	64.63	
New Smyrna	352.00	
Palm Bay	241.74	
Trinity	905.00	

TOTAL RECEIVED
TOTAL

8,540.32
9,193.62

DISBURSEMENTS

Fla. State Assn. (Co-Op)	-4,788.19
Mission Board	-2,122.77
C.E. Board	-909.76
Board of Retirement	-159.60
Postage	-10.00
Tampa Meeting Year 2003	-100.00
Youth Group Uruguay Fund	-60.00
Copies	<u>-42.00</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS
NEW BALANCE

-8,192.32
1,001.30

INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION

QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT

Oct., Nov., Dec. 1996

BEGINNING BALANCE

1,001.30

RECEIVED

Dues		450.00
Offering		85.30
Together Way Plan (CoOp)		7,184.73
Scottsmoor	456.53	
Melbourne	1,438.27	
Auburndale	1,640.64	
New Hope Fellowship	2,530.20	
Ryanwood Fellowship	370.69	
Faith	181.23	
Trinity	266.00	
Palm Bay	301.17	

TOTAL RECEIVED

7,720.03

TOTAL

8,721.33

DISBURSEMENTS

Fla. State Assn. (Co-Op)	-4,310.86
Mission Board	-1,911.15
C.E. Board	-819.07
Board of Retirement	-143.69
Uruguay Fund	-385.30
Postage & Copies	<u>-31.00</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

-7,601.07

NEW BALANCE

1,120.26

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to provide things honest in the sight of all men.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship, and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit; in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and tolling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end, we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world.

And may the God of Peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

INDIAN RIVER ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

PREAMBLE

We, the Indian River Association of Original Free Will Baptists of the State of Florida, do ordain this constitution for the purposes of advancing, promoting and increasing all phases of the causes 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 Baptist Churches as shall adopt this compact and agree to this constitution. One may obtain associate membership by statement of Christian faith.

ARTICLE THREE: DELEGATION

Section 1

The standing delegation of this association shall consist of all ordained ministers, ordained deacons, association clerks, 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 this association.

Section 3

Each church shall be entitled to two (2) delegates plus one (1) delegate for each twenty-five (1) 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 Mission Board, ordaining Board and Christian Education.

ARTICLE FOUR: OFFICERS AND BOARDS (continued)

Section 4

Each of these standing boards shall after the annual association meeting, elect a chairman. The responsibilities of the chairman are to oversee their respective boards' operation and to attend all General Board Meetings personally or by proxy of another board member. Failure to attend or be represented at two consecutive General Board Meetings shall constitute reason for dismissal from the General 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 of 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.

Section 3

Any Christian or Church desiring to affiliate themselves with this body as an associate member may do so by signing a statement of Christian faith and by paying annual dues designated by the association. Associate members DO NOT have voting privileges.

ARTICLE TWO: FINANCE

The manner of financial support for this association shall be by dues of each member church according to the amount designated by the association. These dues shall be retained in the General Fund for the administration of the association.

Section 2

The Mission Board and Christian Education Board shall be financed by retaining a percentage (to be designated by the association) of the Cooperative Plan before sending it to the State Treasurer. The percentage that is retained in the Association and its disbursement will be recommended by the Finance Committee at each annual meeting. A two-thirds majority of the association will rule.

Section 3

It will be the responsibility of the Mission Board and Christian Education Board to disburse the funds and present a written report at each Association Meeting.

Section 4

The books of the clerk-treasurer and each board shall be audited each year by the Executive Board at the planning meeting before the Annual meeting of the association.

Section 5

All elected boards, officers & committees will be paid 21 cents a mile for transportation expenses, lodging and meals, if required when traveling on Association business.

ARTICLE THREE: FUNCTION OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1

The duties of the moderator shall be to preside at all the meetings of the association. He shall be empowered with the authority to appoint any committees not otherwise provided for the constitution. The Moderator shall serve as ex-officio member of all boards and committees.

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 and reports 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

ARTICLE THREE: FUNCTION OF THE OFFICERS (cont.)

Section 3 (continued)

shall receive all associational monies and disburse them as directed by the association. He shall be an ex-officio member of the Finance Committee, as well as serve in the position of chairman of this committee.

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 Mission Board shall be composed of five (5) members whose terms of office shall be five (5) years and whose terms shall be staggered so that only one member shall be replaced each year./ The Board shall be composed of two (2) ministers, two (2) deacons and (1) layman.

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 trustees 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 staggering terms of five (5) years with one member being replaced or re-elected each year.

The 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.

FUNCTION (Section 2 continued)

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 full-time in the art of Christian work; or have 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.

(6) The licensed minister must come before his local church after one (1) year of licensing for recommendation to the Ordaining Council for re-licensing or ordination.

(7) For a person to be presented for ordination as a deacon or recognition of ordination as a deacon, he must have served one year. If he has served as a 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.

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

(9) That a licensed minister who turns in his license to the Ordaining Board must go through all required processes previously needed for licensing.

(10) That all applicants for ordination abstain from the use of tobacco in any form.

ARTICLE FOUR: (continued)

Section 3

The Christian Education Board shall be composed of three members whose terms of office shall be three (3) years and whose terms shall be staggered so that only one member shall be replaced or re-elected each year. Board shall also consist of the two (2) trustees of the Sonshine Youth Camp Board, representing and elected by this association and whose terms shall run concurrent with Camp Sonshine Board. The District CTS Director shall be an ex-officio member of this board.

The District CTS 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 coordinating all CTS programs of his association.

ARTICLE FIVE: COMMITTEES

Section 1

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

Section 2

The finance committee shall be composed of three (3) members to be elected at the annual session. The members shall serve in a rotating sequence of three (3) year terms. The duty elected clerk-treasurer shall be an ex-officio member of committee.

Section 3

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 Women's Auxiliary of the association shall give a report at the sessions.

Section 3

The district Women's Auxiliary shall give a report at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE SEVEN: MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1

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

Section 2

The name, date of birth, 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 3

At the death of a minister, a page in the following year's minutes (draped in black as a memorial to the deceased) shall provide all pertinent information concerning him and his ministry.

Section 4

The constitution and by-laws, with any amendments and alterations, shall be printed in the annual minutes each year.

Section 5

Robert's Rules of Order shall be the parliamentary guide for all meetings of the association or its auxiliaries, boards of committees.

Section 6

A quorum shall consist of a majority of any board or committee.

ARTICLE EIGHT: AMENDMENTS

The by-laws may be amended or altered at any regular session of the association by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) 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.