

2014

Digest of Reports
and
Church Directory



Indian River District
Association
of
Free Will Baptists

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Church Directory

Calvary Fellowship FWB Church

8530 Stirling Road
Davie, FL 33324

Rev. John Gilliland

8532 Stirling Road
Davie, FL 33324
954-432-2550

Clerk Kim Grantham

5710 SW 37th Court, Davie, FL 33314
954-551-0454

Camino de Gracia

1745 Trimble Road
Melbourne, FL 32934
321-914-6205

Rev. Yoan Chirino

2139 Fatzler Road
Melbourne, FL 32935
321-914-6205

Clerk Maria Newman

1275 Crotton Road, Melbourne, FL 32935

First Free Will Baptist Church

PO Box 97
Auburndale, FL 33823
865-967-1275

Pastor Unknown

Clerk Jean Adelmeyer

311 Orange Street, Auburndale, FL 33823
863-967-2521

First Free Will Baptist Church

7455 Babcock Street
Palm Bay, FL 32907
321-725-1655

Rev. Keith Farquarson

800 Emerson Drive NE
Palm Bay, FL 32907
321-725-1655

Clerk Maria Bennitto-Miller

575 Conover Ave NE, Palm Bay, FL 32907
321-956-3003

First Free Will Baptist Church

PO Box 72
Scottsmoor, FL 32775

Clerk Janet Ray

595 Antler Avenue, Osteen, FL 32764
321-460-0019

Rev. Ron Burger

2984 Savannah Way
Apt. 106
Melbourne, FL 32935
321-536-3266

Graceway FWB Church

938 Lytton Road
Melbourne, FL 32934
321-254-7282

Rev. Steve Berry

3300 Arabian Court
Melbourne, FL 32934
321-259-2449

Clerk Janice Wilder

498 Veronica Ave NE, Palm Bay, FL 32907
321-723-7760

New Hope Fellowship FWB Church

4560 Hwy 524
Cocoa, FL 32926
321-632-1911

Rev. Jim Christian

4560 Hwy 524
Cocoa, FL 32926
321-636-3244

Clerk Christina Kinney

4820 Meadow Green Rd, Mims, FL 32754
321-267-2070

Ryanwood Fellowship FWB Church

2196 54th Avenue
Vero Beach, FL 32966
772-567-1956

Rev. Randy Bryant

2156 54th Avenue
Vero Beach, FL 32966
772-696-3409

Clerk Betsy Lucky

3706 Atlantic Boulevard, Vero Beach, FL 32966
772-567-9525

Smyrna Free Will Baptist Church

847 Turnbull Street
New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168
386-428-4741

Rev. Robert Sova

7171 S US 1
Titusville, FL 32780
321-252-3753

Clerk Betty Alewine

1989 Myrtle Jo Drive, Ormond Beach, FL 32174
386-677-5737

Trinity Free Will Baptist Church

1840 39th Blvd
Okeechobee, FL 34972

Rev. Thomas Dees

1854 NE 54th Trail
Okeechobee, FL 34972
863-763-4962

Clerk Connie Grounds

6485 NE 9th Lane, Okeechobee, FL 34974
863-467-2426

Truth Free Will Baptist Church

1335 Montego Street
Titusville, FL 32780
321-269-4033

Rev. Darrell Miller

4800 Cathedral Way
Titusville, FL 32780
321-268-1705

Clerk Karen Miller

4800 Cathedral Way, Titusville, FL 32780
321-268-1705

West Palm Beach FWB Church

1065 Jog Road
West Palm Beach, FL 33415
561-478-3534

Rev. Lonnie Buser

5070 Pat Place
W Palm Bch, FL33415
561-640-5968

Clerk Mary Pinkerman

4692 Pineaire Lane, West Palm Beach, FL 33417
561-471-3123

Other Ordained Ministers

Steve Faison

6950 30th Square, #201, Vero Beach, FL 32966 772-532-4192

Calvin Butler

2915 Wheeler Street, Bartow, FL 33830 863-661-6194

William Bronson

736 16th Street NE, Winter Haven, FL 33881 863-291-6109

Deacons

Melbourne

Bill Swartz, Don Legg, Dewey North

Mike Taggart, Chris Donovan

Okeechobee

Samuel Lewis, Bryan Moore

Auburndale

James Hutto

Ryanwood Fellowship

Sam Lucky

Officers of the Association

Moderator

Randy Bryant (Ryanwood)

2156 54th Avenue

Vero Beach, FL 32966

772-567-1956/cell 772-696-3409

Vice Moderator

Jim Christian (New Hope)

4650 Hwy 524

Cocoa, FL 32926

321-636-3244

Clerk/Treasurer

Diana Bryant (Ryanwood)

2156 54th Avenue

Vero Beach, FL 32966

772-567-1956/cell 772-538-1882

Asst. Clerk/Treasurer

Betsy Lucky (Ryanwood)

3706 Atlantic Boulevard

Vero Beach, FL 32960

772-567-9525

Boards and Committees

Nominating Committee

Henry Beard
Cecil Hutchinson

Christian Education Board

Henry Beard (2016)
John Gilliland (2017)
Sam Lucky (2018)

DYC Director

Cindy Berry

Mission Board

Cecil Hutchinson (2018)
Mike Taggart (2019)
Lonnie Buser (2020)
Steve Berry (2016)
Henry Beard (2017)

Ordination Board

Steve Berry (2019)
Thomas Dees (2020)
Bill Swartz (2016)
Sam Lucky (2017)
Yoan Chirino (2018)

Camp Board

Mike Taggart (2016)
Jean Adelmeyer (2017)

Indian River District Association Meeting

meeting at Smyrna Free Will Baptist Church

May 3, 2014

The meeting was opened with the Pastor's wife, Mrs. Soba, leading the congregation in singing, "Amazing Grace". The morning scripture reading was Psalm 63, and was presented by Nick McCuiston who also lead in prayer.

The host pastor, Bob Sova, welcomed the body. Moderator Randy Bryant opened the business session. It was noted that each church had sent their letters and paid their dues. Delegates elected from their churches were asked to stand, then the standing delegates were recognized. There was a motion made from a standing delegate to seat this body as the voting delegation for the day. The motion was seconded and carried.

The minutes had been sent to all churches ahead of time, and there was a **MSC** to accept the minutes as printed. The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Diana Bryant, and there was a **MSC** to approve them as printed.

Mike Taggart gave the Christian Education Board report. He reported on the Scholarship Auction that was held recently and the Youth Competition held last weekend in Jacksonville. Future events include Junior and Teen camp which will be held on the 9th-13th of June, and the 3rd-8th of August, respectively. Sam Lucky gave the CE Board financial report, and there was a **MSC** to accept both reports.

Steve Berry gave the Mission Board report. The Iglesia Camino de Gracia church is currently looking for property, and may have news on that front shortly. The State Mission Board is assisting in this endeavor. Mike Taggart gave the financial report for the board, and there was a **MSC** to approve the report.

Moderator Randy Bryant gave a report from the Executive Committee. He noted that the day's offering would go into the general fund. He announced that the Calvary FWB Fellowship in Hollywood, FL will be petitioning to join the Indian River

Association as the South Florida Association is disbanding. They were planning on being present today, but had a funeral. We will plan on dealing with this and having the official vote at our next meeting. They will be present at that meeting, and the South Florida Association will be officially disbanded as of June 1. Randy mentioned Ron Draper, Henry Beard, and Stanley Rabon from Auburndale who are in need of prayer for physical needs. D. Miller lead in prayer for these men.

Randy gave a report as the State Executive Director, reviewing the recent State Meeting. It was the State's 70th Anniversary, and we looked back at the past while charting a course for the future. He announced the Mission Shares Golf Tournament coming up in August, the National Association in July, the two Christian Worker's Conferences coming in September, and the Senior Summit in October. Randy also mentioned the Beulah Church in Pensacola who had several neighbors of the church affected by the recent floods. They are looking for volunteers to come and help. The offering was received with Diana Bryant at the piano playing "All Because of God's Amazing Grace". The offering was \$91.00.

Steve Berry and Mike Taggart presented a seminar entitled "How to Make Your Church Look Good". Steve presented several ideas on presenting a good first impression of your church including printed materials and being conscious of how your church grounds and building look. Mike demonstrated church website building.

There was a 15 minute break. There was a MSC to adjourn from the business session and enter into the worship service. The congregation sang, "Just Over in the Glory Land" and "I'll Fly Away". Mrs. Sova sang a special "They'll Never Take My Jesus Out of My Heart".

Randy introduced Diana Bryant who shared thoughts and pictures from her recent mission trip to Kazakhstan and Tajikistan for the morning service.

The meeting was dismissed and lunch was served.

Statistical Report

For the meeting held on May 3, 2014 in New Smyrna, there were 8 minister, 2 deacons, 5 church clerks, 10 visitors, and 14 local church delegates attending for a total of 39 present.

Christian Education Board Report

Although the Christian Education Board did not hold a meeting this quarter we were busy. The CE Board held the annual spaghetti dinner/auction fund raiser. The purpose of this fund raiser is to help finance the scholarship program. We want to thank the four churches that attended the fund raiser; Ryanwood Fellowship (Vero Beach), First FWB Auburndale, Truth FWB (Titusville), and Graceway FWB (Melbourne). Along with the attending churches we want to thank the churches participating in the table sponsorship; New hope Fellowship (Cocoa), Ryanwood Fellowship (Vero Beach), First FWB Auburndale, and Graceway FWB (Melbourne). We also want to thank all of those who donated items to auction and for those who cut loose with their money. I personally want to thank all of those who worked so hard to ensure that this event happened. Mrs.. Cindy for the great spaghetti, Mrs. Jean for the super salad bar and desserts, Henry for taking care of arranging the bidding sheets, Mrs. Debbie for the table sponsorship arrangements, and last and certainly not least Sam for taking care of managing our finances. Because of everyone's efforts we were able to support 6 students; Ashley Ramey and Christa Dailey from Titusville, and April Miranda, Megan Murphy, Sarah Brett, and Matthew Berry from Melbourne.

We also sponsored our youth at the Florida State Youth Conference CTS Competition. We are really pleased with how well our youth represented the Indian River Association:

The Bible Bowl Team from New Hope Fellowship, Christin Wilker, Sarah King, and Tony Wilker will be representing the State of Florida at the National Competition.

Jaeda Donovan from Graceway will be representing the Florida at the national competition in **Vocal Solo**.

Tiffany Voyer and Savannah from Graceway will be representing us at the national in **Vocal Duet**.

Will Wilker from new Hope Fellowship will be representing us at the national competition in **Woodwinds**.

Tony Wilker from New Hope Fellowship will be representing Florida at the national competition in **Bowed Strings**.

Taylor Hannan from Graceway will be representing us in **Painting**.

Ellie Miner from Graceway will be representing us at the national in **Creative Arts Mixed Media**.

Jaeda Donovan from Graceway will be representing Florida at **T Shirt Design**.

Bobby Berry from Graceway will be representing Florida at the national competition in **Bible Lesson**.

The next major thing that the CE Board members will be involved in will be Camp Sonshine. Cindy, Henry and Mike will be heavily involved in both the Junior camp and the Teen camp. Ms. Jean cooks at the Teen Camp. We ask everyone's prayers for our camps this year. We are asking for a safe camp and a camp that will speak to the hearts of our young people.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Taggart, Chairman

Indian River District Association
meeting at Truth FWB Church, Titusville
July 19, 2014

The meeting opened with the congregation singing *Jesus Saves* led by Nick McCuiston with his wife Noharis at the piano. The scripture reading for the morning was John 14:1-6 read by Steve Faison who then led in prayer. Host Pastor D. Miller welcomed the body and gave logistical details to everyone.

Moderator Randy Bryant also welcomed the body and thanked them for being here. Special recognition was given to the Calvary FWB Church from Hollywood who will be joining the association today and a delegation from Scottsmoor FWB Church. The new youth pastor from Melbourne, Steven West and his wife, were introduced to the association.

The clerk affirmed that all churches had reported, and their elected delegates were asked to stand. The standing delegates (pastors, deacons, and church clerks) were asked to stand, and there was a **MSC** from standing delegates to seat these as the voting body for the day.

It was noted that all reports had been sent to the churches ahead of time so that people could have time to look them over before the meeting.

There was a **MSC** to receive the minutes as printed.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Diana Bryant, and there was a **MSC** to receive it as printed.

The Christian Education Board report was given by Chairman Mike Taggart. He also gave the Camp Board Treasurer's report, and there was a **MSC** to receive both reports.

The Mission Board report was given by Chairman Steve Berry. Mike Taggart gave their financial report. Pictures were shown by Pastor Yoan Chirino of the property that the State Mission Board is

buying for the Iglesia Camino de Gracia. There was a **MSC** to receive their report.

The Ordaining Board report gave their report, recommending that John Gilliland's credentials be ratified. There was a **MSC** to accept this report.

Randy gave a report as the State Executive Director. He mentioned business coming up at the National Association, noting that the services will be streamed live to people can watch if they can't attend. He mentioned the State's Mission Shares Golf Tournament, The Christian Worker's Conference, and the Senior Summit coming up this fall, noting that registration and payment can be done on the State's website. Randy also gave an update on the State's mission works, noting that Tallahassee was doing well, and that West Palm is still looking for property. The Melbourne work was reviewed in the Mission Board report. He asked for prayer for a new missionary for the Vero work, and a piece of property that the board will look at this week in West Palm. He thanked the churches for their support of the the state programs thru Co-op giving and Mission Shares.

The Executive Committee made a recommendation that Calvary FWB Church be accepted into our association upon the dissolution of the South Florida Association. There was a **MSC** to that effect, and the delegation present from Hollywood stood to be recognized.

The moderator called for new business, and hearing none, there was a **MSC** to adjourn. As we adjourned, the delegation from Hollywood came forward and were welcomed by the body.

There was one additional item of business. The Nominating Committee presented John Gilliland to fill the 2017 term on the Christian Education Board and there was a **MSC** to approve that nomination. There was a **MSC** to adjourn the business session.

Randy Bryant presented a seminar on having an effective Greeter's Ministry.

A 15 minute break was taken.

The morning service began with the congregation singing *At the Cross* and Yoan Chirino opened in prayer. The congregation also sang *When We All Get to Heaven*. Nick and Noharis McCuiston sang *Just One More Soul*.

Mike Taggart gave a presentation from the Christian Education Board and emphasised the role of the Christian Education Board and the work it does. He highlighted scholarships to our colleges, Bible and Arts competition, and Youth Camp. The new youth pastor from Melbourne reviewed this year's Junior Camp Sonshine. Steve Berry presented the program of Teen Camp Sonshine. Steven West brought the morning devotion from I Timothy 4:12. Mike closed the program by sharing a challenge to the body: Pray for the CE board, pray for the next generation of CE Board leaders, help us look for our next generation of leaders in our churches, support a kid in your church or neighborhood that needs to go to camp, come to camp and visit, support CE Board activities throughout the year, and consider remembering us in your estate planning.

The offering was received and was designated for Camp Sonshine. The offering totaled \$215.00.

The meeting was dismissed.

Ordaining Board Report

After the interview, we the Ordaining Board recommend Bro. John Gilliland's credentials be ratified and that he be welcomed into the Indian River Association. Bro. John has been pastor of Calvary Fellowship Church of Hollywood, FL, for about three years.

Sam Lucky, Chairman

Mission Board Report

*The Mission Board continues its financial support to the Florida Mission Shares Plan of Support.

*The Mission Board continues its financial support to our association missionary, Yoan Chirino.

*The Mission Board continues its financial support to Camp Sonshine.

*The Mission Board is preparing to host a golf tournament fundraiser.

Statistical Report

For the meeting held on July 19, 2014, there were:

10 ministers, 1 deacon, 5 church clerks, 8 visitors, and 14 local church delegates for a total of 38 present.

Indian River District Association Meeting

meeting at New Hope Fellowship

October 25, 2014

The meeting opened with the congregation singing *When We All Get to Heaven* with Nick McQuiston leading the singing and his wife Noharris at the piano.

Titusville pastor D. Miller read the morning scripture from I John 5 and then opened the meeting in prayer. Host pastor, Jim Christian welcomed the body and gave directions concerning the facilities. He mentioned being glad to have Moderator Randy Bryant "back at work" after his heart attack and health issues. Randy also welcomed the body and expressed thanks for all of their calls, messages, cards, and prayer.

Churches that had reported were asked to have their elected delegates stand, then standing delegates were also asked to stand. There was a MSC to accept these as the voting body for the day's business.

There was a MSC to approve the minutes as printed.

There was a MSC to approve the treasurer's report as presented.

The CE Board report was given by Cindy Berry in the absence of Chairman Mike Taggart who was out of town. The Treasurer's report was given by Sam Lucky. There was a MSC to accept both reports.

The Mission Board report and it's reasurer's report were given by Chairman Steve Berry. Steve reported on the Golf Tournament fund raiser that was held October 23. They had 13 golfers and raised just under \$100. Steve reported on the Tallahassee work as Cliff Donoho had played in the tournament, and mentioned the Camino de Gracia work and its progress. There was a MSC to receive both reports.

The Ordaining Board report was given by Sam Lucky. There was a MSC to receive the report which recommended that Ron Burger's

credentials be ratified and that we welcome him into the Indian River Association as he is currently the pastor of the Scottsmoor church.

Randy gave a report as the Executive Director of the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists. He mentioned the Mission Shares Golf Tournament which raised approximately \$2100 for Mission Shares, the rescheduling of the Senior Summit, and the upcoming Ministers Retreat to be held in January on the topic of "The Pastor's Personal Life" with Rev. Danny Dwyer. Randy encouraged churches to send their pastors. The State Association Meeting dates were announced with Garnett Reid as the speaker on the theme of integrity. He mentioned the state mission works, and gave a report on the state of the shares program and the cooperative program of support.

The Executive Committee recommended that we accept the Scottsmoor Church back into membership of the Indian River Association. There was a MSC to approve that recommendation.

The morning offering was received with Diana Bryant at the piano playing "All Because of God's Amazing Grace". The offering totaled \$155.87.

After the offering, the pastor and delegates from the Scottsmoor church were asked to come to the front. The congregation each came by and personally welcomed the group from Scottsmoor.

John Gilliland presented a seminar entitled "How to Develop and Deliver a Devotion". He shared a method including Connect/Learn/Explore/ Application/Response. He talked about speaking from what you have learned, choosing and studying a passage, editing down to what you have time to say, studying and paying attention to context, spending time on your own with a passage, then verifying what you understood with biblical study tools.

The congregation took a 10 minute break, then gathered for the worship service. The service opened with the congregation singing *Power in the Blood*.and *Trust and Obey*.

The Mission Board was responsible for the day's service. Steve Berry, Mission Board Chairman, recapped the process by which the Hispanic mission was started in Melbourne. A trio from Melbourne sang "I Know What Jesus Did for Me".

Yoan Chirino presented pictures showing what his church is doing. He brought the morning message from Matthew 28:16-20 and challenged us to share Christ with those around us.

The meeting was dismissed in prayer.

Mission Board Report

*The Mission Board continues its financial support to the Florida Mission Shares Plan of Support.

*The Mission Board continues its financial support to our association Misionary Yoan Chirino.

*The Mission Board continues its financial support to Camp Sonshine.

*The Mission Board is preparing to host a golf tournament fundraiser on Thursday, October 23, 2014 at Suntree County Club.

Steve Berry, Chairman

Ordaining Board Report

After the interview, we the Ordaining Board recommend Bro. Ron Burger's credentials be ratified and he be welcomed into the Indian River Association.

Sam Lucky, Chairman

Statistical Report

For the meeting held on October 25, 2014, there were: 10 ministers, 1 deacon, 6 church clerks, 9 visitors, and 15 local church delegates for a total of 41 present.

Indian River District Association

meeting at Graceway FWB Church, Melbourne

January 31, 2015

The meeting opened with Steven West, Youth Pastor at Melbourne welcoming the association. The congregation sang *Sweet Sweet Spirit* led by Tim with Andy at the piano . Bro. Keith Farquarsen read the scripture II Corinthians 2:12-17.

A roll call of churches was read with elected delegates from each church standing. Standing delegates (ordained ministers, ordained deacons, and church clerks) were asked to stand. There was a MSC to seat these delegates as the voting body for the day.

Moderator Randy Bryant appointed an obituary committee to collect names of those from our churches who have passed away during the past year. Jim Christian served as chairman of this committee.

There was a MSC to approve the minutes as printed.

The quarterly and annual treasurer's reports were given by clerk/treasurer Diana Bryant. There was a MSC to accept both reports.

The Christian Education Board report was given by Sam Lucky in the absence of Chairman Mike Taggart along with it's financial report. There was a MSC to accept both reports.

The Mission Board was given by Henry Beard in the absence of Chairman Steve Berry, and the quarterly and annual financial reports were given by Cecil Hutchinson. There was a MSC to accept the three reports.

Yoan Chirino made a few comments about their move into their new location after Randy announced the closing date of February 2, 2015 for the sale of the new property for Camino de Gracia.

MSC to accept the report of the Ordaining Board given by Chairman Sam Lucky. The Board met and is recommending that Bro. Lonnie Buser's credentials be ratified as the West Palm Beach Church is petitioning to join the Indian River Association today.

Randy gave a report as the Executive Director of Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists. He mentioned the recent Minister's Retreat, the upcoming State Meeting, and the Senior Summit in October. He also gave information concerning the upcoming State Meeting in April with Bro. Garnett Reid speaking on the theme of "Integrity, Because the World is Watching". He expressed thanks for the faithful giving of our people, with the co-op budget finishing last year just shy of budget, and the shares budget about 90% of budget. He also mentioned the needs of the mission works in West Palm, Tallahassee, Melbourne, and Vero Beach.

Tom Spradlin, representative from FWB Family Ministries, gave a report and showed a video highlighting the work of the ministry.

The Executive Committee recommends that we accept the West Palm Beach church into the fellowship of the Indian River Association upon their request on the occasion of the dissolution of the South Florida Association. There was a **MSC** to accept them into our fellowship. The body extended the right hand of fellowship to the delegation from West Palm Beach.

The Nominating Committee report was given by Chairman Henry Beard. There was a **MSC** to receive the report. The slate was acted on collectively with a **MSC** to accept the slate of officers as a whole, with time given for nominations from the floor and none being offered. There was time given for a nominee for the nominating committee and none was given. The committee will function with two members for now.

The offering was received with Andy at the piano and Tim playing the trumpet in an arrangement of Mansion Over the Hilltop. The morning offering amount was \$211.00

Jim Christian, Obituary Committee chairman, gave their report with the names of those passing away being displayed on the screens. A moment of silence was observed in their honor, and prayer was offered.

There was a **MSC** to adjourn the business session of the meeting.

Bro. Jose Rodriguez conducted a seminar for the association on cross cultural ministries.

A 5 minute break was taken before the worship service began. The congregation sang *The Days of Elijah*. The choir sang *Let There be Praise*, and the congregation sang *Just As I Am*.

Randy introduced Bro. Jose Rodriguez for the morning message. He brought his message from Romans 1:16-17.B

Statistical Report

For the meeting held on January 31, 2015 there were:
7 ministers, 4 deacons, 6 church clerks, 26 visitors, and 21 local church delegates for a total of 64 present.

Christian Education Board Report

The Christian Education board is closing out the year by setting up a fun fundraiser to support the Board 2015 programs. The CE Board has challenged all churches and members of the Indian River Association to participate in the "Ice Bucket Challenge". The Auburndale Church not only accepted the challenge but set the bar by collecting over \$700 in challenges. We not only encourage all of our other churches to accept the challenge and either match or break the record set by the Auburndale Church.

The next major project that the Board is encouraging the District to prepare for is the upcoming Youth Bible Competition. On March 14, the District Youth Competition will be held at the Graceway Church in Melbourne. All participants who wish to compete in the State Youth Competition must be registered through the District program. For information on how to register for District

Competition or to obtain information about the Bible Competition program, please contact Cindy Berry.

As always, the Christian Education Board is constantly looking for ways to provide programs that will help our members grow in knowledge and strengthen their ability to be a better witness for the Kingdom. Should you have a suggestion, please share your thoughts with one of the Board Members.

Mike Taggart, Chairman

Mission Board Report

*The Board sends condolences out to the Delma Bailes family. Delma was a long time member of the the First Free Will Baptist Church of Palm Bay. She recently went to be with the Lord.

*Update on Camino de Gracia: The church is extending its lease month to month due to the Unitarian Fellowship not being ready to move into its new facility. They are receiving monthly compensation from the college that is renting their new facility. In turn, the Unity group is paying Camino de Gracia/State Mission Board a monthly rent fee until Camino de Gracia takes possession of the property.

*Update on Vero Beach Hispanic Mission: They continue to preach through a translator. Through the month of December and January they have been meeting with them on Sunday morning. They have had five or six meeting with them every Sunday.

*Elections of the new board will be coming up after this January 31 meeting, we will be meeting to organize the new board

*Indian River local church mission trips:

Cecil Hutchinson made a motion to donate \$250 per person for the mission trips, Henry Beard seconded the motion, the motion carried.

Cuba - January 26 - 31, Mike and Debbie Taggart, Steve Berry: They will participate in a Cuban pastor and missionry retreat, seminary classes, and preaching conference. Debbie will be speaking to the pastor's wives and seminary ladies. Steve will be preaching at the evening conference services and leading the rest of the travelers in the group. Other travelers will be David Crowe (Home Missions Director), Tommy Franks (Pastor of Hamilton,

AL church), Dr. Danny Baer (Academic Dean of Southeastern College), Dr. Russ Moore (Chair of the Teacher's Education Department at Southeastern), Jeff Jones (Pastor of Hilltop Church and Chairman of Board of Directors of Southeastern), Tico Alonso (Spanish Pastor of Hilltop Church).

Brazil: February 12-20 Steve, Cindy and Bobby Berry
 They will participate in a local church retreat during the week of Carnival. Steve will be preaching seven times, Cindy will be speaking with Nicodemus, Bobby will be speaking to the children and ballooning.

Steve Berry, Chairman

Nominating Committee Report

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Nominee</u>
Moderator	Randy Bryant	Replacing Himself
Vice Moderator	Jim Christian	Replacing Himself
Clerk/Treasurer	Diana Bryant	Replacing Herself
Asst Clerk/Treasurer	Betsy Lucky	Replacing Herself
Nominating Comm	Henry Beard	Replacing Himself
	Cecil Hutchinson	Replacing Himself
	Open	
CE Board	Sam Lucky 2016	Replacing Himself
Mission Board	Ron Draper 2020	Lonnie Buser
Ordaining Board	Thomas 2020	Thomas Dees
Camp Board	Jean Adelmeyer 2017	Replacing Herself

Indian River Association of Free Will Baptists
Annual Treasurer's Report
 For period covering
January 1 - December 31, 2014

Beginning Balance January 1, 2014 **\$ 5067.47**

Receipts

Dues	3600.00
Offering	607.87

Together Way Plan

Auburndale	8361.11
Calvary	-----
Graceway	5072.00
Iglesia Camino de Gracia	1153.00
New Hope Fellowship	5630.74
New Smyrna	541.00
Okeechobee	2144.00
Palm Bay	40.00
Ryanwood Fellowship	5401.58
Titusville	-----

Total Receipts **\$32,551.30**

TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR **\$37,618.77**

Disbursements

Florida State Association Co-Op	\$17,006.04
Indian River Mission Board	6324.63
I.R.Christian Education Board	3162.31
Board of Retirement	209.46
Shares	720.00
Honorariums	1100.00
Executive Committee Expense	271.54
Dues to State Association	2700.00
Executive Board Member Expense	
to State Association	200.00
Printing Annual Minutes	50.34
Diana Bryant Kazakhstan trip	150.00
Postage	11.76
Camp Sonshine	215.00
Association computer purchase	449.97
Bank service charge	8.00

Total Disbursements **\$32,579.05**

Ending Balance December 31, 2014 **\$ 5039.72**

Fund Balances

General Fund	3539.72
Benevolent Fund	1500.00

INDIAN RIVER MISSION BOARD
ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
Jan. 1, 2014 – Dec. 31, 2014

Beginning Balance \$3,099.85

DEPOSITS

Indian River Association \$6,913.22
Golf Tournament \$1,000.00

TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR \$11,013.07

DISBURSEMENTS

YOAN CHIRINO \$1,200.00
FLORIDA MISSION SHARES \$3,600.00
CAMP SONSHINE \$600.00
Graceway Church (Golf Tournament Exp.) \$865.69
Graceway Church Annual Corp. Renewal \$61.25

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$6,326.94

ENDING BALANCE \$4,686.13

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

MICHAEL TAGGART

Christian Education Board's
Annual Financial Report
Jan 1, -Dec 31, 2014

Beginning Balance		3590.46
Deposits:	Co-op	3456.31
	Scholarship Fund Raiser	3230.00
	Gift/Meal	32.00
	Correction (April, May, June Report)	<u>.30</u>
	Subtotal	10,309.07
Disbursements:		<u>4,446.45</u>
Balance on Hand		<u>5,862.62</u>
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General Fund		2156.96
Deposits:	Co-op	2592.46
	Gift/ Meal	<u>32.00</u>
	Subtotal	4781.42
Disbursements:	To Scholarship Fund	256.90
	Fl. CMB (CTS competition)	435.00
	Bd Meeting- Meals	172.37
	Service Charge	<u>4.00</u>
	Subtotal	868.27
Balance on Hand		<u>3,913.15</u>
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Scholarship Fund		1243.10
Deposits:	Fund Raiser	3230.00
	From Gen. Fund	<u>256.90</u>
	Subtotal	4,730.00
Disbursements:	Expense for Fund Raiser	310.05
	Scholarships	<u>2,750.00</u>
Balance on Hand		<u>1669.95</u>
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Camp Fund		190.40
Deposits:	Co-op	<u>864.15</u>
	Subtotal	1,054.55
Disbursements:	Camp Sonshine	<u>775.03</u>
Balance on Hand		<u>279.52</u>
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All Funds		5,862.62
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FWB Foundation		4732.02
	Earning from Jan 1 to June 30, 2014	<u>64.54</u>
Balance as of Dec 31, 2014		4,796.56

In Memory

Melbourne

Dan Weeks, Wanda Wells, Melvin McFadden

New Smyrna

Donald Warrens, Hershel Green

Titusville

Roy Baller

Auburndale

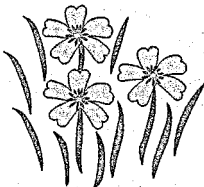
James Woods, Stanley Rabon,
Helen Scott, Sylvia Murphy

Palm Bay

Delma Bailes

Hollywood

Dick Wyatt



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. A church is considered in good standing when it abides by the Treatise of Faith and Practice of the National Association of Free Will Baptists and when it follows the reporting and dues requirements of the Indian River Association of Free Will Baptists.

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 elected or appointed delegates.

ARTICLE FOUR: OFFICERS AND BOARDS

Section 1

The general officers of this association shall be 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, the Ordaining Board, and the Christian Education Board.

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

Section 1

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 Executive 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 the 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 reimbursed at the current IRS rate for mileage and actual expenses for lodging and meals if required when traveling on 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 in 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 their further duty to take care of 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 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 one (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 recognized in good standing by the Indian River Association. 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 to be recognized in good standing with this 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 desiring to be recognized in good standing by 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 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, the 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.

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. The board shall also consist of the two (2) trustees of the Camp Sonshine Board, representing and elected by this association, and whose terms shall run concurrent with the Camp Sonshine Board. The District Youth Competition (DYC) Director shall be an ex-officio member of this board.

The District Youth Competition (DYC) Director shall be elected annually by the Association at its July meeting.

Functions of this board shall be:

- a. To act as trustees and to hold title to any properties deeded to this association for the purpose of camping.
- b. To be responsible for all monies received for or related to the camping program of this association.
- c. To support and promote the education of our youth and Christian leaders.

d. To be responsible for coordinating all youth competition programs of this 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 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 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

Each minister and deacon who is recognized in good standing by 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 parliamentary guide for all meetings of the association or its auxiliaries, boards or committees.

Section 6

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

Section 7

In the event that one of the member churches of the Indian River Association of Original Free Will Baptists affiliated with the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptists dismisses its pastor or has its pastor resign, the Association requests the church to notify our Executive Committee of such action. The Executive Committee agrees to meet with the church's leadership in order to determine to what extent, if any, the local church would like the Executive Committee involved in their search and/or selection process.

ARTICLE EIGHT: AMENDMENTS

The by-laws may be amended or altered at any regular session of the association by a two-thirds 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.

Revised January 2012

