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10th ANNUAL
SESSION

**Kansas
Free Will Baptists
State Association**

JUNE 17, 18 and 19, 1971

WESTSIDE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

WICHITA, KANSAS

Next Session Will Convene With The

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
3900 SHUNGA DR., TOPEKA, KS. 66614

JUNE 15, 16, and 17



OFFICERS

MODERATOR----- Robert Sharry
ASST. MODERATOR ----- Troy Dobbs
TREASURER ----- LeRoy Corbett
CLERK ----- Richard Terry
ASST. CLERK ----- Larry Messer
PARLIMENTARIAN ----- To be appointed

STATE MISSION BOARD

3 YEAR MAN ----- Richard Terry
2 YEAR MAN ----- Trymon Messer
1 YEAR MAN ----- Vernie Stillings

STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD

3 YEAR MAN ----- Lestor Lemmons
2 YEAR MAN ----- Troy Dobbs
1 YEAR MAN ----- Jack Ledbetter

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

3 YEAR MAN ----- Marvin Williams
2 YEAR MAN ----- Doyle Terry
1 YEAR MAN ----- LeRoy Corbett

ASSOCIATIONAL PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1971 - 7:30 P.M.

Congregational Singing: "I'll Be Listening"
"That Will Be A Glad
Reunion Day"
"Come and Dine"

Led by Bro. Hank Leichner, with Sis. Faye Goates
playing the piano.

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 29:18

Call to order by the State Clerk: Tommie Sharry

Moderators Message: Rev. Robert Sharry "Where
there is no vision, the people
perish." Prov. 29:18

Welcome by host pastor, Rev Jack Ledbetter

Recognition of Churches and visitors

Congregational Singing: "Just Over In the Glory
Land"

Special Singing: "I Want to Stroll Over Heaven
With You"
"I Know, I Know, There's No
Doubt About It" by the Sing-
ing Ledbetters

Evening Speaker introduced by Rev. Robert Sharry,
Rev. Lonnie DaVolt

Message: "A Vision of a Lost World" John 3:16,
Romans 1:18

Prayer

Invitation: "Jesus Is Passing This Way"

Offering

Appointment of Committee on Committees

FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 1971 9:30 A.M.

Congregational Song: "I Feel Like Traveling On"

Rev. Robert Sharpy leading with Sis Faye Goates
at the piano.

Alter of Prayer

Congregational Singing: "It is Joy Unspeakable"
"When The Roll Is Called
Up Yonder"

Devotion by Rev. Ken Stephens "Who is on the
Lord's Side" Ex. 32:25

Visitors Recognized: Rev. Rufus Coffey, Executive
Secretary, Rev. Bill Jones, Foreign Mission
Dept., Rev. Eddie Payne, Foreign Mission
Dept.

Reading of the Letters

Seating of Delegates

Correspondence read from Rev. Roy Thomas of the
National Home Mission Board

Old Business Called for

National Executive Department report given by
Rev. Rufus Coffey using Ephesians 2:2;
Acts 2:44; Colossians 2:2-19; Acts 4:31;
Philippians 1:27

Committee on Committee's Report

Treasure's Report given by Tryman Messer

Recessed untill 1:30 P.M.

FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 1971 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Congregational Singing: "Victory In Jesus"

Prayer led by Rev. Bill Jones

Congregational Singing: "Leaning on the Ever-
lasting Arms:

Rev. Robert Sharpy leading with Sis Donna Terry
playing the piano

Special Singing by Bro. and Sis Doyle Terry

"I Will Serve Thee"

"Sweeter Gets the Journey"

"We're Nearing the Shore"

Message by Lonnie DaVolt "A Vision of the Judge-
ment of God" II Thess. 3; II Peter 3; Rev.
20; Isa. 53; Lev. 17:11; Rom. 3:23; 6:23;
1:4; II Cor. 5:10

Invitation: "There's a Great Day Coming"

Benidiction by Tryman Messer

FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 1971 1:30 P.M. BUSINESS SESSION

Congregational Singing: "Onward Christian Soldiers"

Rev. Robert Sharpy leading with Sis Donna Terry
playing the piano

Devotion by Rufus Coffey "A Saving, A Sus-
taining Vision, A Sending Vision Acts 26

Reports

Foreign Missions Department Report by Rev. Bill Jones

Free Will Baptist Bible College Report

Oklahoma Bible College (Hillsdale) Report by Tryman Messer

Christian Education Board Partial Report Given by Rev. Grover Terry M.S. to receive this report, carried.

Obituary Committee Report given. M.S. to receive this report, carried.

Led in prayer by Sis Hartly

Executive Board Report given by Rev. Richard Terry. M.S. to receive this report, carried

Partial Business Committee Report given. Adopted item by item as read.

Report of the State Paper, "The Arrow", Was given by Sis Virginia Stallings, Editor. M.S. to receive this report, carried

M.S. to adjourn, carried

FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 1971 7:30 P.M. WORSHIP Service

Prayer led by Rev. Richard Terry

Congregational Singing: "Won't it be Wonderful"
"Victory In Jesus"

Discussion by Rev. Grover Terry, disclosing the plan whereby \$2,700.00 for the 1974 National Association of Free Will Baptists could be aquired.

Declamation by Robin Robbins, First Church, Wichita

Special Singing: "In God We Trust" by Teressa Sharry

"My Child You're Home At Last"

"This is What Heaven Means to Me"

"I Know, I Know" by the Singing Ledbetters

"I Will Serve Thee" by Judy Ledbetter

Message by Rev. Eddie Payne (Return Missionary from Ivory Coast, Africa) "A Vision of Decay in the Church as God See's us" Rev. 1:5; 2:2-25; 3:15-17

Prayer by Rev. Eddie Payne

Invitation: I'm Coming Home"

Benediction:

SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 1971 9:30 A.M.

Congregational Singing "Old Time Power"

Rev. Robert Sharry Leading with Sis Teressa Sharry playing the piano.

Prayer by Bro. Larry Messer

Devotion by Rev. Lester Lemons Ex. 3:1-22

Placement Committee Report given. M.S. to receive the report, carried

Completion of Partial Business Committee Report given, adopted item by item as read

Old Business Called for

Nominating Committee Report given, M.S. to adopt item by item

New Officers are as follows:

Moderator	Rev. Robert Sharry
Asst. Moderator	Rev. Troy Dobbs
Treasurer	Bro. Leroy Corbett
Clerk	Rev. Richard Terry
Asst. Clerk	Bro. Larry Messer
Parliamentarian	To be appointed

Rev. Marvin Williams nominated for 3 Year Man for the Christian Education Board from the Floor. Elected.

Delegates to the National Association are as follows:

Tommie Sharry
Leroy Corbett
Donna Terry
Tryman Messer
Carl Cohorn

M.S. that the chairman of the Christian Education Board will be an ordained minister at all times, carried.

Minutes read and approved thus far

M.S. that the State Youth Camp fee will be reduced from \$10.00 to \$7.50, carried

M.S. to recess to 11:00 A.M.

SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 1971 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Prayer led by Rev. Kenneth Stephens

Congregational Singing: "Just Over in the Glory
Land"

"Oh How I Love Jesus"

"At the Cross"

Rev. Richard Terry leading with Sis Teressa Sharry
playing the piano

Prayer

Invitation and Alter of Prayer

M.S. to adjourn, carried.

Dismissed by hand shake with all State Officers,
Board Members, and the Kenneth Stephens
Family (Our new State Home Missionaries to
Kansas)

1970-71 Treasurer's Report

Receipts from May 1, 1970 to June 1971

Co-Cp.....	7,818.01
Missions.....	4,735.15
C.E.C. (Hillsdale).....	1,689.32
THE ARRCW.....	272.00
Delegates Fee.....	75.00
C.E.B. Youth Camp.....	110.00
Robert Sharpy Expense Refund.....	43.50
 TOTAL RECEIVED.....	 14,742.98
(5-1-70 to 6-1-71)	

Balance in Bank May 1970.....	940.73
Total Received (5-1-70 to 6-1-71).....	<u>14,742.98</u>
 Total.....	 15,683.71

DISBURSEMENTS

National Co-Op.....	2,069.85
Foreign Missions.....	2,035.33
National Home Missions.....	2,028.81
State Home Missions.....	2,498.66
Christian Education Board.....	692.70
Oklahoma Bible College.....	2,475.93
THE ARROW.....	351.13
Moderator's Expenses.....	325.00
State Clerk.....	57.00
State Treasurer.....	30.00
Stamps, Phone, Misc.	95.21
Robert Shockey.....	125.00
Ed Morris.....	75.00
National Delegate Fee.....	35.00
Youth Camp.....	110.00
Executive Board Mileage.....	<u>63.00</u>
 Total	 13,067.62

Balance in Bank May 1971.....	2,616.09
(The books did not balance Therefore the actual balance is \$2,676.80)	

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The nominating committee recommends the following people for the following offices:

Moderator	Rev. Robert Sharry
Asst. Moderator	Rev. Troy Dobbs
Treasurer	Ero Leroy Corbett
Clerk	Rev. Richard Terry
Asst. Clerk	Bro Larry Messer
Parliamentarian	To be appointed
State Mission Bd.	Rev. Richard Terry, 3rd yr. man.
State Executive Bd.	Rev. Lester Lemons, 3rd yr. man.
State Christian Education Bd.	Rev. Marvin Williams, 3rd yr. man
Auditing Committee	Bro Harold Oliver Bro Mirlin Bivens
General Board Member	Rev. Robert Sharry
Hillsdale Trustee	Trymon Messer
Delegates to the National Association:	
1.	Tommie Sharry
2.	Leroy Corbett
3.	Donna Terry
4.	Trymon Messer
5.	Carl Cochran
Arrow Editor	Sis Virginia Stallings

Leroy Corbett
Troy Dobbs
Richard Terry

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

For the grace of God that have appeared to all men, teaching us that denying our Godless and worldly lust, we should live soberly, rightously and Godly in this present world. Titus 2:11-13

Charley Price
W.A. Hartley
Glen Ledbetter

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We the obituary committee are thankful to report there were no deaths among our people during the past year.

We request a prayer of thanksgiving be offered to God and in view of His goodness in sparing us, let us serve Him diligently.

Let us redeem the time for the days are evil,

Ph. 1:23-24 For I am in a strait betwixt two,

having a desire to depart and to be with Christ; which is far better; Nevertheless to abide in the flesh is more needful for you

Ep. 5:16 Redeeming the time, because the days are evil

Beulah Hartley
Charlotte Sellers
Virginia Stallings

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

We recommend that the 1972 Kansas State Association of Free Will Baptists be held at the 1st. Free Will Baptist Church of Topeka.

We appreciate Salinas invitation, but felt we should have the meeting in the other association.

Grover Terry
Richard Terry

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE

1. We the Business committee recommend that we invite the National Association to come to Wichita in 1974. We further recommend that Rev. Grover Terry be elected as committee chairman to help plan and promote and appoint committees and help with the \$2700.00 that will be needed.

Amendment to the motion-The state of Kansas would underwrite the \$2700.00

2. We the Business committee recommend that

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the state buy a x-ray tube for the x-ray machine that was given to Dr. Miley.

3. We recommend that we give Bro. DaVoult and Bro. Eddie Payne \$75.00 each as guest speakers.

Tryman Messer-Chairman
Lester Lemons
Jack Ledbetter

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

The auditing committee audited the books of the State Home Missions Board, the State Christian Education Board, and of the State Treasure with the following result:

1. The books of the State Home Missions are in good order and balance.
2. The books of the Christian Education Board are in good order and balance.
3. The books of the State Treasurer do not balance. We recommend that the books be brought up to date and a new balance be established in conjunction with the bank.

L. Corbett
Larry Messer

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE-Completion 4.

We the business committee recommend the Co-op percentages be changed as follows:

From	To		
35%	1 40%	St. Home Missions	45
30%	1 30%	Nat'l Co-op	30
15%	5 10%	State office	05
10%	4 10%	Christian Education Board	10
10%	3 10%	OBC (Hillsdale)	10

5. We recommend the host church and especially the ladies be given a standing vote of thanks for their hospitality and the good food, and Bro. Ledbet

(Cont' Business Committee)
ter for cooking some of the mens breakfast.

Tryman Messer
Lester Lemons
Jack Ledbetter

ARROW REPORT

To the Kansas State Association when convened
with West Side FWB Church, Wichita, Ks.

Twelve months, from May 1, 1970 to May 1, 1971:

<u>Month</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>EDITOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT REMITTED TO STATE TREASURER</u>
May '70	\$5.07	10.00	4.00
June '70	8.60	10.00	--
July '70	27.07	15.00	14.00
Aug. '70	5.77	15.00	5.00
Sep. '70	7.22	15.00	17.00
Oct. '70	20.22	15.00	125.00
Nov. '70	25.74	15.00	39.00
Dec. '70	29.32	15.00	24.00
Jan. '71	11.64	15.00	10.00
Feb. 71	5.52	15.00	4.00
Mar. '71	8.12	15.00	6.00
Apr. '71	<u>14.71</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>8.00</u>

Totals	\$169.70	\$170.00	\$250.00
Total expense (Editor and other)...	\$339.70		
Less Remittances.	<u>256.00</u>		
Cost to State.....	\$ 83.70		

Present Arrow distribution:

Churches	144
Individual subscriptions	49
Missionaries	11
Colleges	3
National Departments	4
Exchanges	<u>8</u>
Total	219

This report covers twelve months from May 1, 1970
to May 1, 1971 in order to coincide with the fis-
cal year of the State Association.

Virginia Stallings, Editor

KANSAS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE: From long experience, we, the members of the Free Will Baptist Denomination, being regularly baptized upon a proffession of our faith in Jesus Christ, and realizing the necessity of a bond of unity and fellowship among us as a church and to preserve and maintain correspondence and co-ordination within us, do therefore ordain this constitution for ou better denominational government.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called The Kansas State Association of Free Will B ptists and shall be composed of such regularly organized and conveniently located, as may embody themselves under this constitution.

ARTICLE 2. This Association shall consist of elected delegates from the several Yearly Meetings and Churches of which it is composed. Each Yearly Meeting is entitled to 5 delegates and every Church is entitled to one delegate, providing said Yearly Meetings and Churches are in good standing. Ordained Ministers and ordained deacons, who are serving on local church deacon boards, and all elected officers of the State Association.

ARTICLE 3. The Officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Asst. Moderation and a Clerk-Treasurer, with assistants as may be found necessary. The Executive board shall consist of 3 ordained ministers, elected for a 1,2, and 3 year term, with oneterm to expire each year.

ARTICLE 4. Any well organized and well regulated Free Will Baptist Yearly Meeting, composed of such Churches as conform with the practices and adopt the doctrines of the Free Will Baptist denomination, as published in the Treatise of the National Association, may at any time, on application by vote of this body, become a member there of.

1. Providing they adopt and adhere to State Questionnaire Number 1, 2, and the one for Ministers and Deacons.

2. Failure to comply with this ruling concerning licensing and ordination of ministers and deacons will result in withdrawal of fellowship.

ARTICLE 5. This Association shall have power to discipline the Yearly Meetings of which it is composed, and to exclude them for disorderly walk if labor proves unsuccessful, but in no case reverse their decisions, nor to interfere with any of their internal regulations.

ARTICLE 6. It shall be the duty of the Yearly Meetings of this Association to represent themselves by letter, delegates, and a fee of \$5.00 per Church, and report their standing and statistics, at which time the Association shall act upon such questions and topics as may be referred to it by its respective Yearly Meetings and transact such other business not repugnant to this Constitution.

ARTICLE 7. This Association shall have power to adopt any regulations or by-laws not inconsistent with this constitution, which may be deemed essential to the further regulations of its session.

ARTICLE 8. This constitution may be amended or changed at any regular session of this Association by two-thirds vote present, provided the proposed amendment or change be laid on the table for at least 8 hours.

KANSAS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST BY-LAWS

1. All business meetings shall be opened by singing, reading a portion of God's Word and prayer, and shall be closed with prayer.
2. All business, except routine, shall be brought before the body by committees, but should any committee refuse or fail to present to this body any business given it by any member of this association, then such business may be presented to the body by any member.
3. No one shall speak more than five minutes or more than twice on the same subject without the consent of the Moderator.
4. Any member of this body can appeal from the decision of the Moderator to the Association and by a two-thirds majority vote thereon, the objection shall be sustained or rejected.
5. No one shall leave the Association when in a business session without the consent of the Moderator.
6. Anyone desiring to speak shall arise and say, "Brother Moderator", but shall speak no further until he or she is recognized by the Moderator.
7. The Moderator shall stop discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit, or when it is likely to lead to discord or division.
8. The officers of this body shall submit, at every annual session, a written report of the work done for this Association.
9. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep an accurate record of all business transactions, be responsible for all funds received and disbursed; shall superintend the printing of the minutes.

10. This Association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.

11. All resolutions and reports shall bear the names of all the members of the committee who favor them; and if the names be not a majority of such committee, then the clerk shall not read the resolution or report. A minority report may be received however.

12. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator which shall be assisted by a committee on committees. This committee on committees shall be appointed by the Moderator.

13. A majority of votes shall be final upon all subjects except to amend the constitution and by-laws, receive Qtly. Meetings or Associations, the changing of the members of the committees appointed by the Moderator and over ruling the Moderator, then it shall require a 2/3 majority.

14. The sessions of this Association shall convene Thurs. nite, Friday, Friday nite and Saturday untill noon preceeding the third Sunday of June each year.

15. These By-laws may be amended or changed at any regular session of this Association by two-thirds vote present.

16. This Association shall adopt "Roberts Rules of Order".

17. When a church is a member of a Qtly. Conf. or Assn. within the State and desires to change membership to another Qtly. Conf. or Assn. it will request a dismissal to unite with another Qtly. Conf. or Assn., a letter of dismissal and recommendation is given, if said church is in good standing.

(1.) All members of said church holding State offices or Board Membership will continue their duty if church follows outlined procedure.

(2.) If church desire not to follow with the outlined procedures, all members holding State Office or Board Member positions will be declared vacant and replaced by the Executive Board.

18. Any church or minister desiring to start a Mission in an area where there is an organized FWB Church that is a member of the Kansas State Assn. will first seek the cooperation of said church. No minister should help organize a group into a church that is out of fellowship with an established FWB Church that is a member of the Kansas State Association.