

MINUTES

54th ANNUAL SESSION - 2015

**KANSAS
STATE ASSOCIATION OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

Meeting at the

**First Free Will Baptist Church
Topeka, Kansas**

on

June 4, 5, and 6, 2015

**NEXT SESSION WILL CONVENE WITH THE
FAITH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
SALINA, KANSAS
JUNE 9, 10 & 11, 2016**

KANSAS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

PERSONNEL

June 2015 to June 2016

OFFICERS

Moderator..... Rev. Zane Brooks
Asst. Moderator.....Rev. Josh Bush
Clerk.....Bro. James O. Brewer
Asst. Clerk.....Sis. Laura Easley
Treasurer Sis. Judy Sprout
Asst. Treasurer Sis. Donna Brewer

OTHER POSITIONS

Promotional Director.....Rev. Phill Easley
Asst. Promotional DirectorRev. Derl Hicks

EXECUTIVE BOARD

3-Year Term..... Rev. Tim Stringer
2-Year Term..... Rev. Derl Hicks
1-Year Term.....Rev. Josh Bush

MISSION BOARD

3-Year Term.....Rev. Jerrod Vickers
2-Year Term.....Rev. Alan Barus, Jr.
1-Year Term..... Rev. Zane Brooks

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

5-Year Term.....Rev. Jacob Thompson
4-Year Term.....Bro. James O. Brewer
3-Year Term..... Sis. Charlotte Brooks
2-Year Term.....Rev. Jerrod Vickers
1-Year Term.....Sis. Janet Warden

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE

General Board Member (2015-2017)..... Rev. Zane Brooks

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Rev. Tim Stringer (Ch.), Rev. A. J. Warden, and Rev. Josh Bush

PUBLIC MORALS COMMITTEE

Sis. Laura Easley (Ch.) and Sis. Charlotte Brooks

ASSOCIATIONAL PROCEEDINGS

June 4, 2015 – Thursday Night – 7:30 p.m.

Association called to order: James O. Brewer, Clerk

Presiding: Rev. Josh Bush, Pastor, Cross Point Free Will Baptist Church, Wichita, Kansas

Prayer: Rev. Josh Bush, Pastor, Cross Point Free Will Baptist Church, Wichita, Kansas

Congregational Song: "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

Song Leader: Sis. Donna Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Pianist: Sis. Laura Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Organist: Rev. Phill Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Recognition of Churches and Visitors

Church	Number of Attendees
Bethel FWBC (Kansas City)	0
Prairie Meadows FWBC (Olathe)	4
Parsons FWBC (Parsons)	0
Sunrise FWBC (Emporia)	1
First FWBC (Topeka)	6
Faith FWBC (Salina)	0
Cross Point FWBC (Wichita)	2
First FWBC (Wellington)	2
First FWBC (Arkansas City)	0
Visitors	6
Total	21

Welcome: Rev. Phill Easley, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas.

Special Music: "The Old Account was Settled" by Sis. Donna Brewer, Sis. Laura Easley and Rev. Phill Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Message: Rev. Jim McComas, Director of Church Revitalization,
Free Will Baptist North American Ministries, Antioch, Tennessee

I Samuel 6:10-12 "Encouragement"

Philistines had captured the Ark of the Covenant and put in the temple of Dagon, their false god.

Philistines put the Ark on a cart with two untamed cows and they took the Ark back.

"Cowology" – Elsie & Bessie (cows)

- An unlikely choice to do the job.

- Must do things God's way.
- When we get hooked up with God, destiny will change.
- Direction will change and will be straight. Cows went against their desires and went straight.
- Determination – didn't stop nor turn right or left.
- Don't be distracted.
- They were broken hearted leaving their calves and lowing but they went all the way. Stay faithful and on the path.

Invitation

Appointment of Committee on Committees by Rev. Zane Brooks: Rev. Alan Barus, Jr., Rev. A. J. Warden, and Rev. Josh Bush.

June 5, 2015 – Friday Morning Proceedings – 9:00 a.m.

Presiding: Rev. Josh Bush, Pastor, Cross Point Free Will Baptist Church, Wichita, Kansas

Prayer: Bro. James O. Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Congregational Song: "The Lily of the Valley"

Song Leader: Rev. Phill Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Pianist: Sis. Laura Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Recognition of Visitors: Rev. Bob Thompson, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College, Moore, Oklahoma

Moderator's Message: Rev. Zane Brooks, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Wellington, KS

Mark 12:13-17 "Pharisee's Try to Trip Up Jesus"

- It is an honor to give to the government what is due.
- We must not give to the government what is God's. God is preeminent and He deserves our faithfulness and devotion regarding: God's Word, biblical marriage, sanctity of life, prayer for our leaders.

Prayer by Rev. Zane Brooks

Reading of Quarterly Conference letters. MMS&C to approve the letters and seat the Quarterly Conference and local church delegates.

Report of Committee on Committees. MMS&C to approve the report.

Benediction and blessing on refreshments led by Rev. Tim Stringer, Pastor, Faith Free Will Baptist Church, Salina, Kansas.

June 5, 2015 – Friday Morning Worship Service – 11:00 a.m.

Presiding: Rev. A. J. Warden, Pastor, Prairie Meadows Free Will Baptist Church, Olathe, Kansas

Congregational Song: “We Will Glorify the King of Kings”

Song Leader: Sis. Donna Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Pianist: Sis. Laura Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Organist: Rev. Phill Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Prayer: Rev. Tim Stringer, Pastor, Faith Free Will Baptist Church, Salina, Kansas.

Recognition of Visitors

Congregational Song: “We Have Come Into His House”

Offering received: (\$76.00)

Special Music: “Without Him” – Sis Laura Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Message: Rev. Jim McComas, Director of Church Revitalization,
Free Will Baptist North American Ministries, Antioch, Tennessee

Daniel 6:1-10

1. Daniel’s Difficulty Experienced – removed to a pagan culture but he had an excellent spirit
2. Daniel’s Dilma – decree he couldn’t worship his God
3. Daniel’s Decision – did the same as before
4. Daniel’s Deliverance – God honored Daniel

Application: Daniel’s difficulty is the same for us. Christians are in the minority and a pilgrim in a pagan society. We have to make decisions as Daniel did – keep on praying, praising and preaching in love. Do business as usual. Go in fear, let Him steer, make it clear, shed a tear. (Revelation 20:10) Daniel’s deliverance will be our deliverance.

Invitation

Announcements

Benediction: Rev. Jerrod Vickers, Cross Point Free Will Baptist Church, Wichita, Kansas

June 5, 2015 – Friday Afternoon Proceedings – 1:30 p.m.

Presiding: Rev. Zane Brooks, State Moderator and Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Wellington, Kansas

Congregational Song: “I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”

Song Leader: Sis. Donna Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Pianist: Rev. Phill Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Prayer: Rev. David Williford, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, Welch College, Nashville, Tennessee

Greetings and oral report from the National Executive Office, Nashville, Tennessee, Rev. Keith Burden, Executive Secretary, National Association of Free Will Baptists, Nashville, Tennessee. 2015 National Association theme in Grand Rapids, Michigan, is "The Word of God."

Greetings and oral report from North American Ministries by Rev. Jim McComas, Director of Church Revitalization, Antioch, Tennessee.

Greetings and oral report from the International Missions by Rev. Sam McVay, Associate Director of Advancement, Antioch, Tennessee.

Greetings and oral report from Welch College by Rev. David Williford, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, Welch College, Nashville, Tennessee. Closing on sale of present property is set for June 19.

Greetings and oral report from Hillsdale College by Rev. Bob Thompson, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, Moore, Oklahoma. Proposed new name for college is Randall University.

Greetings and oral report from Free Will Baptist Board of Retirement by Rev. Ray Lewis, President & Chief Financial Officer, Antioch, Tennessee. Bro. Ray is retiring this year.

Greetings and oral report from Free Will Baptist Foundation by Rev. David Brown, Director, Antioch, Tennessee.

Greetings and oral report from Elizabeth Hodges, Director, Women Active for Christ, Antioch, Tennessee, was read by Sis. Donna Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas.

Prairie Meadows Mission Church oral report given by Rev. Anthony D. Warden, Jr., concerning God's care of daughter, Macey, and the church.

Executive Board Report given. MMS&C to accept the report.

Christian Education Board Reports handed out from Bro. James O. Brewer, Chairman, Sis. Janet Warden, Clerk, and Rev. Jerrod Vickers, Treasurer. MMS&C to approve the reports.

Letter from Rev. Derl Hicks, Pastor, Ark City Free Will Baptist Church, read by Rev. Zane Brooks, Moderator.

State Home Mission Board Financial Report and Board Report given by Rev. Alan Barus, Jr., Pastor, Sunrise Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas. MMS&C to accept the reports.

Nominating Committee Report given. MMS&C to approve the report.

MMS&C to adjourn this session.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Ray Lewis, President & Chief Financial Officer, Antioch, Tennessee.

June 5, 2015 – Friday Evening Service – 7:30 p.m.

Presiding: Rev. Phill Easley, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Congregational Song: “His Name is Wonderful,” “Jesus, Name Above All Names,” and “Something About that Name”

Song Leader: Sis. Donna Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Pianist: Sis. Laura Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Organist: Rev. Phill Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Recognition of New Attendees

Special prayer for Macey Warden by pastors.

Congregational Song: “Blessed Be The Name”

Offering received (\$22.00)

Special Music:

“The Eastern Gate” – Sis. Donna Brewer, Sis. Judy Sprout and Bro. James O. Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

“He Went A Little Farther” – Rev. Jim McComas, Director of Church Revitalization, Free Will Baptist North American Ministries, Antioch, Tennessee

Message: Rev. Jim McComas, Director of Church Revitalization,
Free Will Baptist North American Ministries, Antioch, Tennessee
I Samuel 14:1-14 “It May Be”

- They were under manned, two people against a garrison.
- Others were unconcerned.
- They were going un-noticed.
- There is an uneven battleground—on bottom, looking up
- Enemy knows they’re coming
- Success or failure was determined by God! - So Are We Today!

- We must humbly do what we can and trust God to do the rest.

Invitation

Benediction by Rev. Jacob Thompson, Prairie Meadows Free Will Baptist Church, Olathe, Kansas

June 6, 2015 – Saturday Morning Proceedings – 9:00 a.m.

Presiding: Rev. Zane Brooks, State Moderator and Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Wellington, Kansas

Prayer: Rev. Anthony D. Warden, Jr., Pastor, Prairie Meadows Free Will Baptist Church, Olathe, Kansas

Congregational Song: "The Light of the World is Jesus"

Song Leader: Sis. Donna Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Pianist: Sis. Laura Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Organist: Rev. Phill Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Recognition of Visitors

Business Committee Report given. MMS&C to approve the report.

Public Morals Committee report given. MMS&C to approve the report.

Auditing Committee Report given. MMS&C to approve the report.

Obituary Committee Report given. MMS&C to approve the report.

Registration Report given. MMS&C to receive the report.

Letter to the National Association read, MMS&C to approve the letter and delegates as follows:
Donna Brewer Jennifer Bush, Deirdre Vickers and Aileen Hilton

Minutes read thus far. MMS&C to approve the minutes.

MMS&C to dismiss the business session.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Zane Brooks, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Wellington, Kansas.

June 6, 2015 – Saturday Morning Worship Service – 11:00 a.m.

Presiding: Rev. Alan Barus, Jr., Pastor, Sunrise Free Will Baptist Mission Church, Emporia, Kansas

Prayer

Congregational Song: "The Way of the Cross Leads Home"

Song Leader: Sis. Donna Brewer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Pianist: Sis. Laura Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Organist: Rev. Phill Easley, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

Offering received (\$25.00) – Violin Solo by Rev. Phill Easley, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas, "Till The Storm Passes By"

Special Music "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship" by Rev. Jim McComas, vocal, Rev. Josh Bush, Mandolin, and Rev. Phill Easley, Violin

Message: Rev. Jim McComas, Director of Church Revitalization,
Free Will Baptist North American Ministries, Antioch, Tennessee
Acts 9:1, 23-25 "The Power of a Basket"

Paul was obsessed with killing Christians. On the Damascus Road, the killer of Christians became a Christian...the killer became the hunted. Disciples let Paul down the wall in a basket.

- People in our basket: we all have a basket and someone is in our basket: Family, church people, co-workers, strangers, and others are watching and counting on you.
- Problems are in our basket: The only solution is to not have people.
- Potential in your basket: People are counting on you and needing you.

Invitation

Announcements and prayer requests

Benediction: Rev. Zane Brooks, Pastor, First Free Will Baptist Church, Wellington, Kansas

Song "To God be the Glory" and prayer led by Rev. Alan Barus, Jr., Pastor, Sunrise Free Will Baptist Church, Emporia, Kansas

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

We, the Committee on Committees, recommend the following:

Nominating Committee:	Rev. Josh Bush, Ch. Rev. Jerrod Vickers Rev. Alan Barus, Jr.
Business Committee:	Bro. James O. Brewer Rev. Zane Brooks Rev. Anthony Warden, Jr.
Public Morals Committee:	Sis., Laura Easley, Ch. Sis. Charlotte Brooks
Obituary Committee:	Sis. Donna Brewer, Ch. Sis. Judy Sprout
Auditing Committee:	Rev. Tim Stringer, Ch. Rev. Josh Bush Rev. Anthony Warden, Jr.

Signed: Rev. Zane Brooks, Rev. Anthony Warden, Jr., & Rev. Alan Barus, Jr.,

OBITUARY COMMITTEE:

We, the Obituary Committee, report the following deaths for the past year:

Sis. Tammy Putter, First Free Will Baptist Church, Wellington, Kansas
Bro. Budd Nugen, First Free Will Baptist Church, Wellington, Kansas
Bro. Gary Buger, First Free Will Baptist Church, Wellington, Kansas
Bro. Bob Long, First Free Will Baptist Church, Wellington, Kansas
Bro. Russ Emerine, Cross Point Free Will Baptist Church, Wichita, Kansas
Bro. Vernon Batemon, Cross Point Free Will Baptist Church, Wichita, Kansas
Bro. Laney Messer, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas
Sis. Martha Pohl, First Free Will Baptist Church, Topeka, Kansas

We would ask everyone to stand and have prayer for the families.

Respectfully submitted (signed): Judy Sprout & Donna Brewer

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: (June 2014 to June 2015)

Moderator Rev. Zane Brooks
Assistant Moderator..... Rev. Josh Bush
Clerk Bro. James O. Brewer
Assistant Clerk..... Sis. Laura Easley
Treasurer..... Sis. Judy Sprout
Assistant Treasurer Sis. Donna Brewer
Promotional Director Rev. Phill Easley
Assistant Promotional Director Rev. Derl Hicks

Executive Board:

3-Year Term Rev. Tim Stringer
2-Year Term Rev. Derl Hicks (info only)
1-Year Term Rev. Josh Bush (info only)

Mission Board:

3-Year Term Rev. Jerrod Vickers
2-Year Term Rev. Alan Barus, Jr. (info only)
1-Year Term Rev. Zane Brooks (info only)

Christian Education Board:

5-Year Term Rev. Jacob Thompson
4-Year Term Bro. James O. Brewer (info only)
3-Year Term Sis. Charlotte Brooks (info only)
2-Year Term Rev. Jerrod Vickers (info only)
1-Year Term Sis. Janet Warden (info only)

General Board Member Rev. Zane Brooks (3-year term, 2015-17)

Respectfully submitted (signed): Rev. Josh Bush, Rev. Jerrod Vickers & Rev. Alan Barus, Jr.

REGISTRATION REPORT:

Out of State Visitors 6
Kansas Ordained Ministers..... 7
Kansas Licensed Ministers 1
Kansas Ordained Deacons..... 2
Elected Delegates 3
Kansas Free Will Baptists & Visitors..... 5

BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPORT:

We, the Business Committee, recommend the following:

1. An honorarium of \$1,000.00 be given to Rev. Jim McComas.
2. The 2017 Kansas State Association annual meeting be held at the Sunrise Free Will Baptist Church in Emporia.
3. \$300.00 be given to the 2013 General Board Member to the National Association.
4. A standing vote of thanks be given to the First Free Will Baptist Church of Topeka for their gracious hospitality.

(signed): James O. Brewer, Rev. Zane Brooks, A. J. Warden

Kansas State Executive Board Report

On behalf of the State Executive Board, this year we have planned and successfully moved the date of the Kansas State Meeting due to a conflicted date with our State youth camp. We chose the dates of June 4-6th with our speaker being Rev. Jim McComas, Director of Church Revitalization with North American Home Ministries.

We lost a member of our Board, Rev. Robert Franklin, due to his relocation. We will seek to fill his position at our yearly meeting.

We have provided advice to the church in Ulysses seeking to turn the church over to our Home Missions Department which was recently finalized.

In Christ,

Rev. Josh Bush

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Derl Hicks', written over the printed name.

Rev. Derl Hicks

KANSAS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

State Treasurer's Report

Fiscal Year May 1, 2014, through April 30, 2015

Explanation	Disbursements	Receipts	Balance
Beginning Balance			\$ 9,751.43
Coop (Undesignated)		\$3,085.82	
Offerings from State Meeting		\$214.00	
Church Registration Fees at State Meeting		\$1,500.00	
Welch College (Free Will Baptist Bible College)	\$218.58	\$126.00	
Hillsdale Bible College	\$92.58	\$0.00	
National "Together Way"	\$308.58	\$0.00	
International FWB Missions			
Undesignated	\$29.50	\$29.50	
Shane Davison	\$180.00	\$180.00	
Steve Lytle	\$180.00	\$180.00	
Matt & Cristina Price	\$300.00	\$300.00	
World Missions Offering	\$233.00	\$233.00	
National FWB Home Missions:			
Undesignated	\$29.50	\$29.50	
Howard Gwartney	\$130.00	\$130.00	
Mark McCraney	\$390.00	\$390.00	
Mark Thomas	\$195.00	\$195.00	
Kansas State Christian Education Board	\$771.45	\$0.00	
Kansas State Home Missions (undesignated)	\$1,080.03	\$0.00	
AJ Warden - Prairie Meadows FWB Mission	\$1,640.00	\$1,640.00	
Darl Hicks - Arkansas City FWB Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Other Expenses:			
General Board Member's Expenses at National	\$300.00		
Church Delegate Fees at National (\$150/church)	\$1,500.00		
Speaker Honorarium - Rev. Matthew Pinson	\$1,300.00		
Office Supplies (toner, stamps, etc.)	\$44.49		
Honorarium for "Rejoice" (Susan Forlines)	\$500.00		
Totals	\$9,422.71	\$8,232.82	\$ 8,561.54

Notes: Balance includes \$2204.50 designated for the AJ Warden Project

CO-OP breaks down as follows:

State Home Missions 35%

National "Together Way" 10%

Christian Education Board 25%

Free Will Baptist Bible College 3%

Hillsdale Bible College 3%

State Treasurer 24%

6/5/2015

Judy Spauld 6/5/15

KANSAS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Christian Education Board Report

April 30, 2015

The Christian Education Board activities for the past year consisted primarily of planning and carrying out our Kansas State Youth Camp and Kansas Men's Retreat.

The 2014 Kansas State Youth Camp was held June 9 through June 13, 2014, at Camp Horizon at Arkansas City, Kansas. Kansas Pastors were the evangelists. The camp was attended by 108 campers and 28 workers for a total of 136.

The 2015 Kansas State Men's Retreat was held March 6-7, 2015, at Westminster Woods Camp near Fall River, Kansas. Rev. Ken Akers, General Director of Free Will Baptist Master's Men in Antioch, Tennessee was the speaker. The retreat was attended by 74 men and teen boys, including the speaker.

The 2015 Kansas State Youth Camp is scheduled to be held June 8-12, 2015 at Camp Horizon at Arkansas City, Kansas with Rev. Jeff Sloan of Bixby, OK as evangelist.

Charlotte Brooks was selected as Camp Director and James O. Brewer as Assistant Director.

The fee will be \$175.00 per camper and worker if prepaid by May 18, and \$215.00 thereafter.

Respectfully submitted,

By: James O. Brewer
James O. Brewer, Chairman

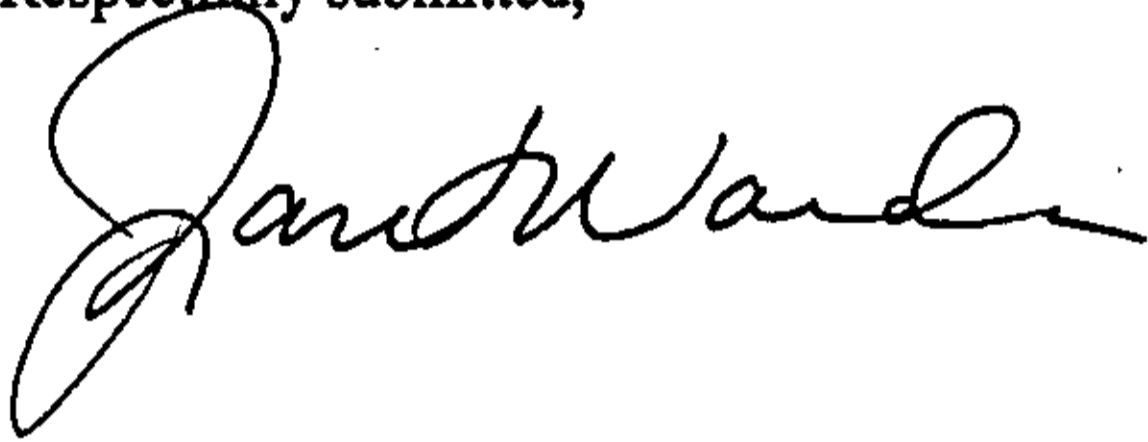
Christian Education Board Report to the 2015 Kansas State Association of Free Will Baptists

The Christian Education Board corresponded several times throughout the year via email, telephone calls and in person.

The items of business this past year were as follows:

1. Planning and organizing Youth Camp 2015 at Camp Horizon at Arkansas City, Kansas.
2. Planning and organizing Men's Retreat 2015 at Westminster Woods Camp near Fall River, Kansas.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jan Ward". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "W".

Kansas Christian Education Board

Financial Report

June 1, 2014 through May 31, 2015

Beginning Balance ^{June} May , 1 2014	20922.75
Deposits	11078.79
Youth Camp 2014 Expenses	21531.40
Men's Retreat 2015 Expenses	3950.62
Youth Camp Insurance 2015	443.00
Ending Balance	6076.52

Funds were received and dispersed for two CE events in this budget year, Youth Camp 2014 and Men's Retreat 2015

Note: Beginning balance includes funds that had been received for 2014 Youth Camp that had not been dispersed.

submitted on 6/5/15


by Jerrod D. Vickers, CE Board Treasurer

WNAC Report to State Associations Spring 2015

During the convention in Ft. Worth, I shared the following statistics with our women. The members of WNAC work tirelessly and often in the background to support missions and ministry causes.

4,211 members gave almost **\$535,000** to missions and ministry causes. Of this amount **\$131,000** was contributed to individual state programs. Our women are involved from the grass roots to the national level.

We awarded **scholarships** to 5 young people:

1. **Cleo Pursell Foreign Student Scholarships** were awarded to : Myriam LeLouarn (France) and Nicolas Iriquite (Cote d'Ivoire).

2. **Dr. Mary Ruth Wisehart Student Scholarship** recipients: Abby Greenwood (TN; Welch), Leah Batton (CO; Southeastern) and Jerra Henthorn (CA; Hillsdale) received \$1000 each.

We also helped provide a laundry room at the **Cedars of Lebanon** seminary in Cuba. Our Cuban sisters/students can now wash their clothes without a 4-mile walk. We also provided twin sheets for the dorm rooms.

Six board members/office staff traveled to **Central Asia** in the spring of 2014 hosting two **conferences** for our sisters in Kazakhstan and Tajikistan. WNAC members paid the conference fee for each attendee, provided supplies for the gift bags, and supported the WNAC team members who raised personal funds for the trip. What a blessing to be able to share with our sisters who accomplish so much for God with such little resources.

The **Steward Provision Closet** continues to bless our missionaries both home and international. Contributions to this ministry reached almost \$43,000 in 2013. We appreciate the church-wide support given to our WAC groups as they seek to support many projects throughout each year.

Our quarterly publication, **Treasure**, addresses relevant topics in order for our women to be equipped to serve the Lord well in this culture. Pray for each of our writers as they develop these Bible studies.

Pastors, thank you so much for your interest in and support of the women and their ministry in your churches.

History was made in July when the National Association voted to accept **WNAC as a national department**, culminating a 2-year process. We officially became part of the Together Way Plan in January 2015. We are now officially under the headship of the denomination and desire to be wise stewards of the funds

entrusted seeking to build a stronger financial base for the future of WNAC and her ministries.

In the past few years, WNAC has sought to offer **seminars** at the National Convention to encourage, challenge and strengthen our women. We would love to see this facet of our ministry expand and grow to the point that we could host **regional conferences** to benefit a greater number of our women. Please make this a matter of prayer.

If we can be of service to you in any way, feel free to contact our office. May God richly bless you and your ministry in this state.

PUBLIC MORALS COMMITTEE

Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go *and* sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come *and* follow me.

-Matthew 19:21

Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

-Matthew 16:24

In both of these passages of scripture Jesus was addressing the most important question in a person's life. Will I follow the Lord? The men Jesus was addressing, the rich young ruler and Peter and the disciples, both had issues and baggage in their lives that kept them from fully committing and following Jesus. The question we must ask ourselves is what is keeping us from following the Lord?

We see in both passages of Scripture that these men have something in common. The thought they were already following the Lord. They assumed they were doing what Jesus wanted them to do, but they had something which was keeping them from truly following the Lord.

The rich young ruler was a very good man. He kept the Law, faithfully attended Temple worship and did everything a good, young Jew should do. So, when he asked Jesus what he must do to be saved I am sure he thought the answer would be, nothing! You're good! Everyone look at him and do what He is doing! Of course this was not the reaction of Jesus. He told him he lacked one thing. One thing kept Him from truly following Jesus...His love of money and possessions. He was willing to follow Jesus just as long as it didn't cost him anything, but the moment his possessions came into the mix, the cost was suddenly too great. A lot of us are like this rich young ruler, willing to follow as long as there is no cost. This is not Salvation. Salvation is following Jesus in spite of all cost.

Then there is Peter. He was an apostle, someone who walked with Jesus and literally followed him. Surely, he was good. However, we see from this passage of Scripture that the thing that kept Peter from following Jesus was Peter. Jesus had just finished telling them that He must die and Peter opposed this plan and said he was not going to let it happen. Jesus had to

openly rebuke Peter for allowing Satan to speak through him. Peter was allowing his own emotions and desires to get in the way of God's will. Peter was not fully following Jesus. Peter was following Peter. Jesus said to truly follow Him one must deny himself. We have to quit following our desires and start following God's desires. This is not an easy thing to do. Many of us are like Peter, we let our own emotions and desires get in the way of God's will. We, like Peter automatically assume what we want must be God's will instead of seeking out God and following Him. This is not what Salvation looks like. Salvation is denying ourselves, taking up the cross and following Jesus. The Key to the whole thing is Following Jesus.

So in conclusion we leave you with these questions. What in your life is hindering you from following Jesus? What emotions or wants are you allowing to get in the way of God's will? What is keeping you from following Him? Whatever the answer may be, get rid of it and Follow Jesus.

Respectfully Submitted,

Willy D. Warden
Charlotte J. Brooks

We the Home Mission Board respectfully submit the following report to the Kansas State Meeting for the reporting period of June 2014 through May 2015.

Through the grace of God and the support of fellow Christians, the Kansas Home Mission Board has two missionaries on the field, Bro. A.J. Warden of Prairie Meadows and Bro. Derl Hicks of Ark City.

The Kansas Home Mission board through the support of contributors was able to provide Bro. AJ with \$1,300 in monthly support and Bro. Derl with \$1,200 in monthly support during the year. It truly is a blessing to the state of Kansas to have these two families serving the Lord and their communities in both Olathe and Arkansas City.

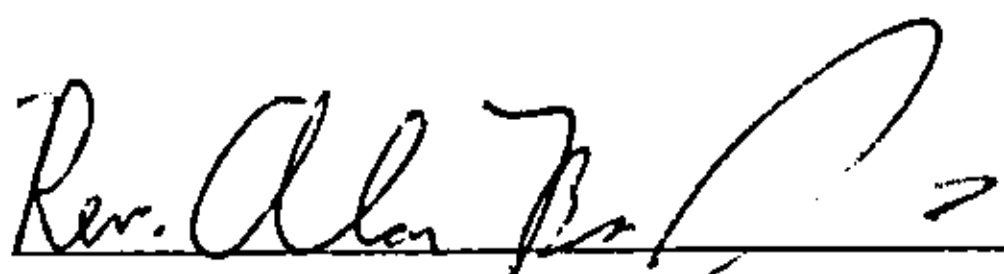
Over the year, the Home Mission Board met to discuss the following items:

- Prairie Meadows Mission Account (Very Low in Funds... Below the \$500 Mark)
 - o Approved \$300 per month in additional support from the General Home Mission Board Account
 - o Encouraged Bro. AJ to send out a letter to each church requesting the amount needed from each church to provide \$1300 in Monthly Funding
 - o Spoke to Bro. AJ about the possibilities of securing a part-time job to continue supporting his family while the amount of donations are down
- Arkansas City Mission Status
 - o Discussed the idea of Bro. Derl going self-supporting and discussed the transition of funds from His mission account to His personal account
 - o Discussed Bro. Derl continuing to pay back the building fund at a minimum of \$100 per month. Building payments have not come in since 3/14.
- Kansas City Church Status (Bethel Free Will Baptist Church)
 - o 5/13 Bro. Wayne, Bro. Zane, and Bro. Josh planned to go speak to the people about the future status of the church
 - Possible merging of Prairie Meadows /Bethel
 - Status of Looking for a FWB Pastor
- Ulysses Church Status (Currently Closed)
 - o Discussed utilities and insurance options
 - Decided to pay insurance for 3 months and keep utilities on until the Home Mission Board is able to inspect the building for maintenance or repairs needed
 - o Talked about the Spanish First Assembly of God's interest in the church
 - Discussed potentially renting the building, but not interested in selling at this time
 - o Oklahoma Mission board may be expanding to neighboring states
 - Discussed the possibility of asking them for staffing assistance.

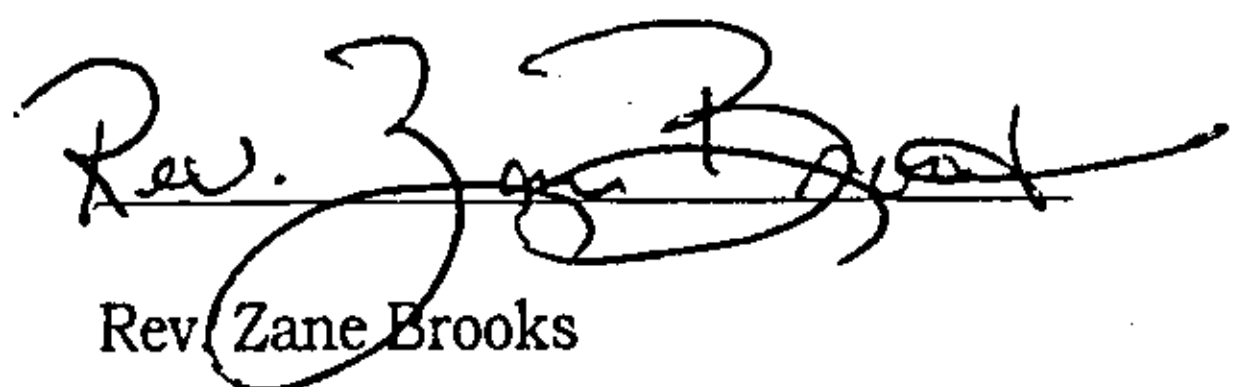
We are blessed to be part of the Free Will Baptist Denomination and are thankful to serve on the Mission Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Wayne Bookout



Rev. Alan Barus, Treasurer



Rev. Zane Brooks

This has been quite the year at Prairie Meadows Church. Kelly and I were unable to attend the meetings last year due to the birth of our daughter, Maycee, three months early. For several months we were not sure if she were going to make it. It seemed like she would take one step forward and then several backwards. In addition to the normal challenges a baby born at 28 weeks would have, she had several more. When she was two months old she developed a staph infection that went into her bloodstream causing her to go septic and develop meningitis. I remember that there were unable to pinpoint the cause of infection so we asked all of you to join us in prayer on a Wednesday night, and while we were praying her midline failed and they discovered there was a clot on the midline, which was the source of the infection! After 4 months in the NICU they did a lung biopsy on her and discovered she has a rare lung disease, which goes by PIG for short. It was after this diagnosis that they decided she needed a tracheostomy. They did trach her and we were finally able to take her home this past November, after a 6 month NICU stay! It is still very difficult and a challenge every day dealing with her unique medical situation. However, she has been growing and getting stronger and there is an end in sight! She will probably have to have the trach for another year, but after that should be able to come off of the ventilator! We praise God for all He has done for us this past year. We have leaned on Him this past year like never before.

The church has also been doing quite well. We have seen several people Surrender to God and several rededicate their lives to God this past year. We have seen several people come to the altar and leave with their lives changed! There have been several guests visit our church this past year, and several have stayed. We have also seen faces that used to come start coming again. It is exciting to see God moving at Prairie Meadows Church. We have been averaging around 40 and we have seen crowds in the 50's and 60's. I believe that our current building is hindering growth, as we have reached 80% capacity, which is about all a church normally will grow. We have been praying about where to go from here, but property is very expensive in Olathe, and we need to wait on God's timing. I know that God will show us the next step, but we are faithfully looking! The culmination of my year of ministry is when my daughter, Lainey, gave her life to Jesus. She wants to be baptized the next chance we get! When she first came with the desire to be saved, you question whether or not she is old enough to understand and if she is serious or not. Well, God spoke to me and told me to not Suffer the little ones to come to Him. So, we will be baptizing Lainey the next chance we get.

One area that is severely hurting in our ministry is our Mission Account. Our account has basically dwindled down to nothing. I have mailed out hand written letters to all of our Kansas Churches the past two weeks expressing this need. I know that several of our churches have been giving very faithfully. In talking with the mission Board we have figured out that if each church in Kansas would pledge to \$175 a month, then our church would be fully funded by Kansas. It takes \$3100 per month to operate Prairie Meadows Church. Our church covers all but \$1300 of that. We just need to raise \$1300 per month from faithful believers. I know \$175 per month can seem like a lot for a lot of church, but please, Pray and give what you can. God has always provided for our needs, and I know He will do it again. His answer might be you.

Dear Friends;

Since last year's state meeting we have seen a rather steep decline in attendance at the Ark City FWB Baptist church with one family returning to the things of the world, some people moving out of the area, and another family deciding to attend another church. This has left us with many children in our church and not near enough people to teach and work with them. We are blessed to have a large group of children at church and we continue to seek ways to rise to the occasion of meeting their spiritual needs.

We entered into an agreement to purchase two lots adjoining our church property some time ago and ran into one set back after the other in completing the purchase. About midway through May everything finally came together and the lots are now ours with the seller agreeing to pay the filing fees because of all the hold ups on completing the purchase. We had attempted to purchase these lots at auction a couple of years ago and were unable to get them then. We bought them for less than the owner paid for them at auction so it turned out to be a financial blessing to not buy them the first time we tried. We have a verbal agreement with the same seller to have first option to purchase another adjoining lot when he is ready to sell it and we are hopeful we will have that lot purchased by the end of the year. We are very excited that as we grow in the future we will be able to remain in our current neighborhood.

We have joined other area churches in a local ministry called Crops of Righteousness that provides laundry soap and personal hygiene products to low income families in the school district. The ministry was started by a speech therapist at one of our local elementary schools and has grown through the support of Christian teachers and staff members throughout our school district proving once again that the tired old adage that "they" have taken God out of school is simply not true. Christ continues to shine His light through his children in various professions. Crops has given us a wonderful chance to work with fellow believers and connect to people in our community and is one of the most exciting things we have been involved in.

This past Monday Dawn and I were given guardianship of two children from our church that had been placed in state custody. Having never taken foster parenting classes or been involved in foster care at all we are trying to get everything in life in compliance with the rules and regulations of having foster children. We expect to have that done by the time the weekend is over. We spent much time ministering to the parents of these children so obviously we are saddened that they have continued to live a lifestyle that has endangered their children. We are praising God that He moved in a miraculous way and allowed the children to be placed with us so that we know they will be safe and loved.

Our youth group has several plans to evangelize in our community over summer break and the week after youth camp I will be getting the youth out in the community two days a week to volunteer and witness to others and be proactive in trying to reach our community. Obviously the greatest need for any church is to reach lost souls so pray for us that we will but brothers and sisters PLEASE fervently pray that God will send us workers. From my perspective it remains one of our greatest needs and if we are to properly evangelize then we must be prepared to properly disciple. Gabrielle is fund raising and preparing for a mission trip to South Africa in July so please keep us in prayer for that. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

In Christ

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Annual State Association Letter to the National Association

State Association Kansas State Association Of Free Will Baptists Dates of Next Meeting June / 9 to June / 11

(Please attach the following information regarding your next meeting: location, address, start/end time.)

Reporting Period Jan / 2014 to Jan / 2015 (month/year) Moderator's Email zcbrooks@sutv.com

Moderator Rev. Zane Brooks Phone (620) 440-2558

Address 1611 North H Street City Wellington State KS Zip 67152

Clerk James O. Brewer Email janddbrewer@att.net

Phone (785) 272-1843 Representation Fees (\$150 per church) \$ 1,500.00

Address 5864 SW 26th St. City Topeka State KS Zip 66614

Treasurer Judy Sprout Email jtaffy@cox.net

Phone (785) 217-3430

National General Board Member Rev, Zane Brooks

Delegates

- 1. Donna Brewer
- 2. Jennifer Bush
- 3. Deirdre Vickers

- 4. Laura Easley
- 5. Aileen Hylton

A. CHURCH CHARACTERISTICS

- 1. Number of district associations 2
- 2. Number of district associations reporting 2
- 3. Number of churches 10
- 4. Number of churches reporting 10
- 5. Number of churches:
 - Within city limits 10
 - Rural 0
- 6. Number of churches with:
 - Full-time pastors 4
 - Bi-vocational pastors 5

B. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

- 1. Baptisms 32
- 2. Members added 60
- 3. Members lost 31
- 4. Membership 874

C. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

- 1. Income of all churches \$ 748,883.34
- 2. Number of churches with budgets 4

D. BUILDING INFORMATION

- 1. Number of churches with parsonages 0
- 2. Value of all church property including parsonages \$ 3,005,620.47

E. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1. Number of ordained ministers 9
 - Licensed ministers 2
- 2. Number of ordained deacons 6
- 3. Number of:
 - Daycares 0
 - Christian Schools 0
 - Bible Institutes 0
 - Colleges 0
- 4. Sunday School enrollment 297

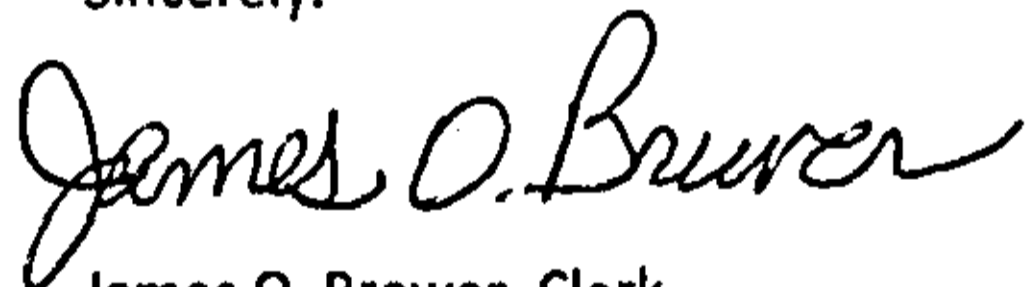
Name and Address of State Associational Property	Director, Address, Email	Value of Associational Property
<u>None</u>		\$ <u></u>
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5864 SW 26th St.
Topeka, KS 66614
June 17, 2015

Attachment to Annual Kansas State Association of Free Will Baptist Letter to the
National Association of Free Will Baptists

- 1) The 2016 Kansas State Association of Free Will Baptists is scheduled to meet at Faith Free Will Baptist Church, 611 Willis, Salina, KS. The services will begin at 7:30 pm on Thursday, June 9, and end at noon on Saturday, June 11.
- 2) At our meeting on June 4-6, 2015, the Kansas State Association voted to nominate Rev. Zane Brooks as our National General Board Member.
- 3) At the 2015 State Meeting, the Kansas State Association voted to authorize moderator Zane Brooks to appoint alternate delegates at the National Association Meeting as needed.

Sincerely.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James O. Brewer". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

James O. Brewer, Clerk

Kansas State Assoc. of Free Will Baptists

KANSAS STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

(updated 01/07/12)

PREAMBLE

From long experience, we the members of the Free Will Baptist denomination, being regularly baptized upon a profession 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 coordination within us, do therefore ordain this constitution for a better denominational government.

ARTICLE I - NAME

This Association shall be called the Kansas State Association of Free Will Baptists, and shall be composed of such regularly organized and disciplined Free Will Baptist Quarterly Conferences, conveniently located, as may embody themselves under this constitution.

ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

This Association shall consist of elected delegates from the several Quarterly Conferences and Churches of which they are composed. Each Quarterly Conference is entitled to five (5) delegates and every Church is entitled to one (1) delegate, providing said Quarterly Conferences 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 shall be standing delegates.

ARTICLE III - OFFICERS

The officers of this association shall be moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, treasurer, and assistant treasurer. The executive board shall consist of three (3) men who are ordained ministers or deacons, elected for a one (1), two (2), and three (3) year term, with one term to expire each year.

ARTICLE IV - REPRESENTATION

Any well organized and well regulated Free Will Baptist Quarterly Conference, composed of such churches as conform with the practice 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 and by vote of this body, become of member thereof.

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 V - DISCIPLINE

This Association shall have power to discipline the Quarterly Conferences 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 VI - DELEGATES AND FEES

It shall be the duty of the Quarterly Conferences of this Association to represent themselves by letter, delegates, and a fee of \$150.00 per church, and report their standings and statistics, at which time the Association shall act upon such questions and topics as may be referred to it by its respective Quarterly Conferences and transact such other business not repugnant to this constitution. Each local church is entitled to one (1) delegate to this Association, provided a letter of recommendation is presented to the clerk of this Association, from the local church, signed by the local church clerk or its pastor.

ARTICLE VII - BY-LAWS

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 regulation of its session.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

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 eight (8) hours.

ARTICLE IX - ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR

The reporting period for this association will begin May 1 and end April 30.

BY-LAWS

SECTION 1 - OFFICERS

All officers and board members shall be members in good standing of a local church affiliated with the Kansas Sate Association. They shall be elected at the discretion of this Association.

SECTION 2 - OFFICERS DUTIES

1. Moderator: The Moderator shall be the principle executive of the Association. He shall preside at the meetings of the State Association. He shall be an ex-officio member of all boards and committees.
2. Assistant Moderator: In the absence of the Moderator, or in the event of his death, inability, or refusal to act, the Assistant Moderator shall perform the duties of the Moderator, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Moderator. The Assistant Moderator shall perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Moderator or by the Association.
3. Clerk: To be custodian of the Association records, in general, perform all duties incidental to the office of Clerk and such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Moderator or Association.
4. Assistant Clerk: In the absence of the Clerk, or in the event of his death, inability, or refusal to act, the Assistant Clerk shall perform the duties of the Clerk and when so acting, shall have all the power of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Clerk. The Assistant Clerk shall perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Clerk or the Association.

5. Treasurer: The treasurer shall be a person with some bookkeeping ability. It shall be his duty to receive and promptly deposit to the bank account of the State Association all checks and monies. He shall pay all fixed expenditures, and miscellaneous expenditures incurred in the normal operation of his office. He shall keep accurate records of all receipts and disbursements with proper vouchers. He shall balance his books monthly. He shall give an itemized written report to each annual Associational meeting. He shall give a written monthly report to the editor of the State publication to be printed. He is the custodian of all records (financial), legal papers, and Associational documents.
6. Assistant Treasurer: In the absence of the Treasurer, or in the event of his death, inability, or refusal to act, the Assistant Treasurer shall perform the duties of the Treasurer and when acting, shall have all the power of and be subjected to all the restrictions upon the Treasurer. The Assistant Treasurer shall perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Treasurer or the Association.
7. Parliamentarian: He shall have a good working knowledge of parliamentary law. He is to advise the Moderator or any member of the proper procedure, according to Roberts' Rules of Order.

SECTION 3 - BOARDS AND THEIR DUTIES

Each state board shall provide a proposed plan for the coming year with their vision statement and proposed budget, so that the state body of Free will Baptists will be apprised of the growth and expansion of the state work.

1. Executive Board: It shall be the duty of this board to act in behalf of the Association in an emergency situation when the Association is not in session, provided there is not sufficient time to call the Association into special session. The declaration of emergency shall be unanimous by all three board members. It shall be bound to carry out the directions of the Association and shall hold itself bound by every consideration of morality and honor to carry out the wishes of this Association and to act under its instructions in whatever technical rights, civil laws, and the decisions that the courts may give it in certain emergencies.

It shall be the duty of this board to sign their signatures to any and all papers concerning property, indebtedness, bonds, or other legal documents pertaining to the execution of the will of this Association.

The members shall assist and direct such work for the general promotion of this Association as is deemed needful or necessary as the means available shall permit.

All decisions of this board shall be governed by the general tenets of this Association and shall not violate this constitution. This Board shall organize itself and elect such officers as necessary to the orderly conduct of its affairs and labors. This board shall keep an accurate record of all meetings, decisions, and work done and shall make a report in writing at each annual session of the Association. All records shall be available to this Association at its request.

Whereas, this board represents the Association, when not in session as provided above, it or a majority of the active local churches who are members of this State Association shall have the power to call the Association into special conference provided each affiliated Quarterly Conference shall be given notice at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting of such special conference.

2. Mission Board: It shall be the duty of this board to labor to further the Gospel of Jesus Christ into the uttermost parts of the earth. In accomplishing this, they are to endeavor to establish missions and churches in communities within the bounds of this Association with whatever moral and financial

assistance that may be theirs. In cases of small churches failing to function, whatever assistance deemed appropriate shall be rendered to maintain the effective witness of that church by either direct labor with the church or with a Quarterly Conference board in instances where the affiliated Quarterly Conference has a functional board or agency.

This board shall be empowered to receive and convey title to real property in the area of its labors.

The promotion of missionary endeavor from a local, state, or national level shall come within the scope of endeavor of this board. This board shall assist in maintaining prayer and financial support of missionary enterprises through whatever channels available.

Whereas missionary and evangelistic labors are so intimately related, this board shall assist through participation or assistance in maintaining a strong evangelistic thrust in the life of affiliated Quarterly Conferences.

This board shall organize itself and elect such officers as necessary to the orderly conduct of its affairs and labors. This board shall keep an accurate record of all meetings, decisions, work done, funds received and disbursed, and shall make a report in writing at each annual session of this Association. All records shall be available to this Association at its request.

3. Christian Education Board: The duties of this board shall be to plan and assist in organizing and sustaining strong Sunday School, Church Training Services, and any educational endeavor such as conferences, in every church in each Quarterly Conference affiliated with the State Association with every means of promotion and assistance available to them. This board shall plan, promote, coordinate, and conduct statewide youth activities, camp(s), etc. It shall approve all state competitors to the National Youth Conference.

This board shall organize itself and elect such officers as necessary to the orderly conduct of its affairs and labors.

This board shall keep an accurate record of all meetings, decisions, work done, funds received, and funds disbursed. It shall make a report in writing at each annual session of this Association. All records shall be available to this Association at its request.

SECTION 4 - ASSOCIATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

1. General Board Member to the National Association: He shall be elected for a three (3) year term. He shall meet with the General Board of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, and shall take to it the desires of this Association.

SECTION 5 - ORGANIZATION OF NEW CHURCHES

1. When a church is a member of a Quarterly Conference within the State and desires to change membership to another Quarterly Conference, it will:
 - A. Request a dismissal to unite with another Quarterly Conference. A letter of dismissal and recommendation is given, if said church is in good standing.

- 1) All members of said church holding State office or board membership will continue their duty if church follows outlined procedure.
 - 2) If church desires not to follow with the outlined procedures, all members holding State office or board membership positions will be declared vacant and replaced by the Executive Board.
- B. Any church or minister desiring to start a mission in an area where there is an organized Free Will Baptist church that is a member of the Kansas State Association 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 Free Will Baptist church that is a member of the Kansas State Association.

SECTION 6 - THE PRACTICE OF ACCEPTING MINISTERS INTO THE STATE OF KANSAS

1. No minister shall be examined or accepted into the local Kansas Quarterly unless it has been requested by a local church of that Quarterly. The minister must be a member of that church.
2. A minister transferring from one Quarterly to another within the Denomination shall undergo the following:
 - A. He is examined by the local Quarterly's examining council.
 - B. He is required to present a letter of good standing by the Quarterly of which he was last a member.
 - C. His Ordination Credentials may then be "ratified" by the Quarterly upon recommendation of the examining council.
3. A minister from another denomination wishing to unite with the Free Will Baptist Denomination must first unite with a local Free Will Baptist Church and will then be subject similar to that in Item 2. Upon a vote of acceptance he shall be issued Free Will Baptist credentials.
4. A minister from an independent Free Will Baptist Church wishing to unite with the Free Will Baptist Denomination must first unite with a local Free Will Baptist Church.

The following procedure shall take place:

- A. His local Free Will Baptist Church shall request he be examined by the Quarterly.
- B. He will then be set aside for 12 months of probation by the Quarterly upon recommendation of the examining council.
- C. During that 12 months of probation he shall:
 - 1) Have the status of a licensed minister with the Quarterly and State Association.
 - 2) Have the status of an ordained minister in the local church.
- D. After 12 months the local church may request his credentials be "ratified".

E. His ordination credentials may then be "ratified" by the Quarterly upon re-examination and recommendation of the examining council.

5. A minister from another independent church or denomination wishing to unite with the Free Will Baptist Denomination must first unite with a local Free Will Baptist Church and then be subject to the same procedure as that in Item 4. Upon a vote of acceptance he shall be issued Free Will Baptist credentials.

STANDING RULES OF ORDER

1. All business meetings shall be opened by singing, reading of 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 the 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 the decision of the chair 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. This Association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.
10. 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, the Clerk shall not read the resolution or report. A minority report may be received however.
11. 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.
12. A majority of votes shall be final upon all subjects except to amend the constitution and by-laws, receive Quarterly Conferences, the changing of the members of the committees appointed by the Moderator and overruling the Moderator, then it shall require a two-thirds majority.
13. The sessions of this Association shall convene Thursday night, Friday, Friday night, and Saturday until noon preceding the second Sunday of June each year.
14. These by-laws may be amended or changed at any regular session of this Association by two-thirds vote present.
15. This Association shall adopt "Roberts' Rules of Order."

- PREVIOUSLY APPROVED MOTIONS -

1975

All Quarterly Conference projects must be approved by the Executive Boards of the various Quarterly Conferences, and the chairman of the respective boards must contact the State Christian Education Board before sponsorship or funds will be approved.

1977

Association Treasurers (includes Board Treasurers)

1. The treasurers should require written support for all disbursements.
 - A. For mileage, a signed statement should be presented which tells the purpose for the trip, the destination, and the total miles driven.
 - B. For other expenditures an invoice or statement should support all disbursements.
 - C. All Statements should be itemized.
2. All voided checks should be retained.
3. Treasurers should reconcile their bank accounts monthly or as often as the bank supplies statements. Checks that do not clear the bank in a reasonable amount of time should be investigated.
4. The Association should reimburse only the expenses of those members duly elected or appointed by the Association.
5. Members of official business should be more thrifty with God's money.

1981

The Standing Boards of the State Association shall be allowed to pay their duly elected members 20 cents per mile for travel to and from board meetings.

1988

Motion that the clerk instruct future nominating committees to maintain representatives from both Quarterly Meetings on all boards and committees if at all possible.

1990

The following guidelines are to be used in preparation of financial records.

- 1) The check, check register, and ledger (if used) should document the reason for the expenditure.
- 2) Expenditures should be documented by purpose for the expenditure and should be signed and dated.
- 3) Records should show the year in addition to the month and day.
- 4) Each treasurer should read and follow the "Previously Approved Motions" in the State Minutes.
- 5) Bank statements should be reconciled, dated, and initialed.
- 6) Reports from each treasurer that are to be presented at the State Meeting should be prepared early enough for use by the Auditing Committee.
- 7) Separate accounts should have a separate ledger.
- 8) More stability in length of service and experience is desirable in selection of treasurers.

The Moderator is authorized to appoint, from volunteers, an editor for a State newsletter. The newsletter should be informative in nature regarding scheduled events of Churches across the State and should be approximately one page in length. Printing and postage costs necessary will be paid for from the State Treasury.

1991

The Public Morals Committee is to be elected one year in advance of their reporting time.

1992

The Moderator will not serve on any standing board, whereas he is an ex-officiate member of all boards (this applies to the Asst. Moderator when he becomes Moderator), and that those members chosen to serve on the Executive Board not serve on any other standing boards.

As guidelines, no one person will hold more than one office, except for those performing the duties of Clerk and Treasurer.

1994

The following is to be used concerning the State Home Missions Board:

1. Any church and/or pastor receiving financial aid participate in all State and Quarterly activities.
2. Give accountability of work that is being done.
3. Keep records of all visits that are made.
4. Give monthly report to whatever department you are receiving funds from.
5. If unable to abide by these guidelines financial aid would be nullified and all funds paid back to the department from which received.

1995

Any person serving as a State officer or as a member of a State board or committee who does not take an active part (does not attend meetings or participate in phone communications) be removed from such board (committee) and be replaced by the State Executive Board until the next state meeting. The respective boards or committees will make this determination and notify the State Executive Board for further action.

No missionary or interim missionary shall be hired into such an important leadership position that cannot pass Guidelines for Ordination set by any Quarterly or Association in the State of Kansas.

1996

The location of the Kansas State Association meeting will be determined two years in advance.

1997

The Kansas State Home Mission Board will cease financial support to churches unless the church place themselves under the authority of the Kansas State Home Mission Board.

1998

Reduced Mission Board size from five to three members.

2000

Associational year will run from May 1 to April 30.

2001

The *Arrow* editor will be paid \$40.00 per bimonthly issue for expenses.

The General Board Member to the National Association will be elected to a three-year term.

2002

Guidelines for the office of State Promotional Director:

1. To see to the needs of the local church by filling empty pulpits, when asked by the local church.
2. To see that the neighboring states receive copies of the state newsletter, the *Arrow*.
3. To promote only those things that the state body of Free Will Baptists approved by vote.
4. Work in cooperation with the state boards.

2003

1. Everyone elected to handle the financial affairs of this Association must have some knowledge of proper bookkeeping/accounting procedures.
2. Each person elected to handle the financial affairs of this Association read and follow the previously approved motions shown in the State minutes regarding their duties and the Associational year.
3. The State Home Missions Board recover missing records such as bank statements, and to the extent possible, source of receipts and expenditures. Since there was none found among the records, the State Home Missions Board will recover or develop a repayment agreement and schedule for the \$13,000.00 loaned to Living Hope Free Will Baptist Ministries in 2001. These documents will become a permanent part of the Board's records.

2004

Adopted a program to be called “The A.J. Project” (patterned after our current program of a Kansas ministerial student in college) for future years to be used for a yet unidentified participant.

2006

Clarify the program as follows:

“The A. J. Project” be available to Kansas Free Will Baptist ministerial students attending a Free Will Baptist College.

If a Kansas Ministerial student is not available or interested, then any Free Will Baptist ministerial student who will work in Kansas and who is attending a Free Will Baptist college will be considered.

The recruiting, selecting, and fundraising of the candidate(s), along with their scheduling, supervision, and job duties be the responsibility of the State Executive Board.

The program purpose is to visit and assist the churches of the State Association during the student’s stay.

2010

The allocation for State Cooperative giving is:

- 35% - State Home Missions
- 10% - National CO-OP
- 25% - Christian Education Board
- 24% - State Treasurer
- 3% - Free Will Baptist Bible College
- 3% - Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College

2011

Increased delegate fee to \$150.00 per church.

LIST OF PREVIOUS STATE MEETINGS

1962 – WICHITA (FIRST CHURCH)
1963 – NEW HOPE
1964 – WICHITA (FIRST CHURCH)
1965 – NEW HOPE
1966 – SALINA
1967 – WICHITA (FIRST CHURCH)
1968 – TOPEKA
1969 – NEW HOPE
1970 – WICHITA (FIRST CHURCH)
1971 – WICHITA (WESTSIDE)
1972 – TOPEKA
1973 – ULYSSES
1974 – SALINA
1975 – WELLINGTON
1976 – BETHEL
1977 – HUTCHINSON
1978 – TOPEKA
1979 – WICHITA (FIRST CHURCH)
1980 – NEW HOPE
1981 – SALINA
1982 – HUTCHINSON
1983 – EMPORIA
1984 – WICHITA (FIRST CHURCH)
1985 – TOPEKA
1986 – SALINA
1987 – GREAT BEND
1988 – HUTCHINSON
1989 – EMPORIA
1990 – SALINA (FIRST CHURCH)
1991 – BETHEL
1992 – WICHITA (FIRST CHURCH)
1993 – TOPEKA
1994 – ULYSSES
1995 – HUTCHINSON
1996 – SALINA (FAITH)
1997 – BETHEL
1998 – WICHITA (FIRST CHURCH)
1999 – TOPEKA
2000 – WELLINGTON
2001 – ULYSSES
2002 – SUNRISE (EMPORIA)

2003 – HUTCHINSON
2004 – BETHEL
2005 – SALINA
2006 – TOPEKA
2007 – WICHITA (FIRST CHURCH)
2008 – WELLINGTON
2009 – BETHEL
2010 – SALINA
2011 – EMPORIA
2012 – WICHITA (CROSS POINT)
2013 – OLATHE (PRAIRIE MEADOWS)
2014 – WELLINGTON
2015 – TOPEKA