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KIAMICHI

ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

1981

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OFFICERS FOR 1982

Moderator	Rev. Jerry Pilgrim 623 E. Miami, McAlester, OK	423-3225
Asst. Moderator	Rev. Danny Hester 616 E. Mill, McAlester, OK	423-0407
Clerk	Gary Smith 501 E. Tyler, McAlester, OK	423-6232
Asst. Clerk	Wayne Clagg Rt. 2, Box 41AA, McAlester, OK	423-6159
Treasurer	Imogene Lee Rt. 6, Box 5, McAlester, OK	423-6646
Asst. Treasurer	Neil Christian 2001 N. B, McAlester, OK	423-4462
General Board Member	Rev. Jerry Pilgrim 623 E. Miami, McAlester, OK	423-3225

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Office No. Expires

		Charlie Clifton 505 E. Fillmore, McAlester, OK	423-2902
1	1982	Rev. Jess Henson Rt. 6, McAlester, OK	389-4503
2	1983	Rev. Leroy Davenport Rt. 1, Indianola, OK	823-4424
3	1984	Randy Higgins 2815 N. Vine, McAlester, OK	423-8234
4	1985	Robert Eldridge Box 163, Indianola, OK	823-4324
5	1986		

EXAMINING BOARD

Office No. Expires

		Fred Clifton 1301 E. Kiowa, McAlester, OK	423-8853
1	1982	Buster Stacey Star Rt., Haywood, OK	826-4671
2	1983	Charlie Eldridge Box 206, Indianola, OK	823-4534
3	1984	Rev. Arty Jo Hearod Rt. 1, Box 214, Holdenville, OK	379-6124
4	1985	Rev. Danny Hester 616 E. Mill, McAlester, OK	423-0407
5	1986		

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Office No. Expires

		George Christian	
1	1982	2001 North B, McAlester, OK	423-4462
		Gary Smith	
2	1983	501 E. Tyler, McAlester, OK	423-6232
		Fred Womack	
3	1984	Indianola, OK	—
		Chester Denny Leon Sheppard	
4	1985	Indianola, OK	—
		Don Shields	
5	1986	1507 S. 4th, McAlester, OK	423-7708

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

January 15-16, 1982	Canadian Shores
April 16-17, 1982	Lone Grove
June 25-26, 1982	North McAlester

ANNUAL MEETING

October 1-2, 1982	Crowder
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STATE ASSOCIATION

October 11-14, 1982	Oklahoma City, OK
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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

July 18-22, 1982	Fort Worth, Texas
July 17-21, 1983	Columbus, Ohio
July 15-19, 1984	Little Rock, Arkansas
July 21-25, 1985	Nashville, Tennessee

ORDER OF BUSINESS

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| 1. House called to order. | 6. Reading of minutes of previous meeting. |
| 2. Letters called for, read, and seating of delegates. | 7. Treasurer's report. |
| 3. Petitionary letters called for. | 8. Report of Committees. |
| 4. Invite visiting brethren to sit in council. | 9. Old or unfinished business. |
| 5. Appointment of committees. | 10. New business. |
| | 11. Adjourn. |

RULES OF ORDER AND BY-LAWS

1. The clerk or assistant clerk, or in their absence, the senior minister in years of service shall call the Association into conference. If a quorum is present, the Moderator, or in his absence, the assistant Moderator, shall take charge. If neither is present, the senior minister in years of service shall act as moderator.

2. It shall be the duty of the clerk to enroll the Delegates to the Association, who shall present themselves with proper evidence of their rights to be seated therein. In case of Questionable representation, however, the cases under question shall be referred to the Credentials (Examining) Board.
It shall be the privilege of the Moderator to seat delegates in a body in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of each business session as deemed necessary by the moderator.
3. Each setting of the Associational meetings shall be opened by Scripture reading and prayer. And it shall be closed with prayer.
4. Those who speak shall rise, address and be recognized by the Moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.
5. No motion shall be discussed without being seconded.
6. When a motion has been made and seconded and a member opposes its discussion, the Moderator shall put the question, "Shall it be discussed?" If negative, the question shall be dismissed.
7. If any proposition as motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and a vote taken.
8. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.
9. No one shall speak more than twice on any subject without special permission of the Moderator, nor more than ten minutes.
10. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the delegates voting, except it shall take a two-thirds vote of all delegates present to overrule a ruling of the Moderator.
11. The "yeas" and "nays" may be counted on any question by request of any delegate present.
12. No member shall absent himself without special permission of the Moderator.
13. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee, provided the person nominated be elected.
14. Alterations may be made in these rules and by-laws at any annual session of the Association.
15. The Moderator shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit; or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.
16. No person shall serve on more than one standing board at a time in the Association.
17. No women will be licensed or ordained as a minister or allowed to preach in our Association.

CONSTITUTION OF THE KIAMICHI ASSOCIATION

Preamble

We, the members of the Kiamichi Association, being regularly baptized upon a profession of faith in Jesus Christ, and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us as a church; and to preserve and maintain correspondence and cooperation among us, do therefore ordain this constitution for our government, and general welfare. We do hereby adopt the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Free Will Baptist as revised in 1969 at the National Association.

ARTICLE 1—NAME: This yearly meeting or Association shall be called, "Kiamichi Association of Free Will Baptist of Oklahoma."

ARTICLE 2—COMPOSITION: This Association shall be composed of such duly organized Free Will Baptist Churches agreeing to abide by this constitution.

ARTICLE 3—REPRESENTATION:

Section 1: The acting members or standing delegates of this body shall be: Pastor, assistant Pastor, and their wives, Five (5) Deacons and their wives, and church clerks belonging to any church composing this Association.

Section 2: The regular meetings of this association shall also consist of three (3) delegates from each church chosen by the respective churches composing this body and properly seated by the standing delegates (delegates limited—total 18 each church).

Section 3: Each church shall be represented by letter, with or without delegates. Such reports should meet the requirements of the Association, using the forms provided by the Association.

ARTICLE 4—OFFICERS AND DUTIES: The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, an Assistant Clerk, a Treasurer, and an Assistant Treasurer. These shall be elected by the body at the annual session.

The Moderator shall be in charge of each session of the Association.

The Moderator shall be an ex-officio member of standing boards.

The Clerk shall keep minutes of each session of the Association.

The Clerk shall enroll the delegates, correspond for the Association, keep records and make required reports for the Association.

The Treasurer shall receive and expend finances as directed by the Association. The Treasurer shall keep adequate records and make regular reports, as required by the Association.

The Assistant to each officer shall be delegated responsibility and will serve in the absence of the officer as regulated by the Association.

ARTICLE 5—BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND THEIR DUTIES:

Section 1: Standing Boards—These shall consist of a maximum of five (5) elected members.

EXECUTIVE BOARD: This Association shall have an Executive Board, consisting of a maximum of 5 members elected to serve terms of 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1 years. It shall be the duty of this board to act in behalf of the Association when it is not in session.

It shall have authority to elect such officers as might be necessary for its own government and to carry out the plan and undertakings of the Association. It shall have authority to act on any business submitted by any other board or church between sessions of the Association.

It shall be the duty of this board to sign their signature to any and all papers concerning properties, indebtedness, bonds, or other legal documents pertaining to the execution of the will of this Association. This board shall not incur indebtedness, sell, or convey real property without the express direction of this Association.

It shall be the duty of this board to establish and assist Missions and Churches within the bounds of this Association wherever needed.

This board shall keep a record of all work done, meetings held, and make a full and complete report to all regular meetings of this body. **NO MEETING WILL BE CALLED WITHOUT NOTIFYING EVERY BOARD MEMBER.**

EXAMINING BOARD: This Association shall have an Examining Board, consisting of a maximum of 5 ordained men elected to serve terms of 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1 years. It shall be the duty of this board to meet with all Ministers and Deacons desiring either ordination, license, or membership into the Association; request having been made by the Church of which the candidate is a member. They shall examine all candidates by a set of questions approved by the Association, and if the examination proves satisfactory, recommendation is made to the body.

This board shall act on matters of credentials pertaining to individuals or churches as invited by the local church and to make recommendations.

Section 2. Non-Standing Committees (Boards)—These shall consist of three (3) members appointed as follows:

PULPIT COMMITTEE: Appointed at each meeting with responsibility to select persons to bring morning message and the afternoon devotion.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: Appointed at each meeting with responsibility to handle resolutions and make recommendations thereof to the afternoon business session.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE: Appointed at each meeting with the responsibility to obtain a list of deceased members of the past quarter of Association Churches.

ARTICLE 6—MEMBERSHIP:

Section 1. Newly organized churches may petition for membership by letter and delegates. Upon examination, if they are found to be orthodox and orderly, they may be received in the Association by vote of the majority present. The Moderator may give the right hand of fellowship.

Section 2. Any church coming from another Association or quarterly meeting, may upon examination and vote of this Association become a member, provided a letter of recommendation is furnished by the Association or quarterly meeting from which they come, or upon approval and recommendation of Examining Board.

ARTICLE 7—DISCIPLINE: This Association shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine or practice, that properly comes before it from any church of which it is composed, and to exclude them for disorderly conduct if labor proves unsuccessful; but in no case to reverse their decisions; nor to interfere with any of their regulations.

ARTICLE 8—FINANCES: The Association operations shall be financed through the Cooperative Plan. At the annual meeting \$20.00 is due for state expenses from each local church.

ARTICLE 9—BUSINESS: The business of the Association while in session, shall include questions and topics as may be referred to it by the churches in their letters, resolutions and recommendations presented by its boards, committees, or individual members.

ARTICLE 10—PREROGATIVE: This yearly meeting or 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 sessions.

ARTICLE 11—PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE: The question or deliberations shall be governed by Robert's Rule of Order.

ARTICLE 12—AMENDMENTS: This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present at any regular yearly meeting of this Association.

CHURCH COVENANT

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

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

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

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observances of the ordinances of the Gospel or fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

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

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

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **THE BIBLE**—The Scriptures of the Old and New Testament were given by the inspiration of God, and are infallible rules of faith and practice.
2. **GOD**—There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver and Righteous Governor of the Universe. and in the Scriptures as the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore and obey.
3. **CHRIST**—Christ is God manifest in the flesh: in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified. He is now risen and glorified is our ever-present Saviour and Lord.
4. **THE HOLY SPIRIT**—The Scriptures assigns to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God. He is the Reprover. Comforter. Guide and Sanctifier of all men.

5. **THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD**—God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts of Grace, not otherwise provided for as highest welfare of man requires.
6. **THE SINFULNESS OF MAN**—Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore inherited a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.
7. **THE WORK OF CHRIST**—The Son of God, by His incarnation, life, suffering, death, and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith.
8. **THE WORK OF SALVATION**—The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and the hearty renunciations of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord, with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit; freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.
9. **ELECTION**—God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ, men become His elect.
10. **FREEDOM OF WILL**—The Human will is free and self controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit and live, or to resist them and perish.
11. **SALVATION FREE**—God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.
12. **PERSEVERANCE**—All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have the promise of eternal salvation.
13. **BACKSLIDING AND APOSTASY**—A person who has been regenerated or born again and is living in unconfessed, unforgiven sin, is rebellious to the principles of the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and therefore is a backslider in a lost condition who must repent and be restored to the right relationship with God or be eternally lost. We recognize, according to Hebrews 6:4-6, that it is possible for a person to get in the condition that he could never return to Christ. This, we believe, is Apostasy; However, we also recognize that a regenerate person can fall into sin, be in a lost condition and still not be an Apostate. This person, through repentance, can be reconciled to God.
14. **GOSPEL ORDINANCES**—Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel: Feet Washington, an ordinance teaching humility, of universal obligation, and to be administered to all true believers.
15. **TITHING**—God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament: Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the Apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." I Cor. 16:2.
16. **THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH**—The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from the secular employment and amusements for rest, worship, holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God.

7. **RESURRECTION, JUDGMENT, AND FINAL RETRIBUTION—**
The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation: then the wicked shall "Go away into eternal punishment but the righteous into eternal life."

QUARTERLY MEETING

January 16-17, 1981, at Lone Grove Church

Friday Night—7:30 p.m. Services

Friday night service was opened by Rev. Arty Jo Hearod, with prayer by Rev. Danny Hestor. Congregational singing was led by Gary Smith, accompanied by Jeannie Hickman. Testimony service was led by Bro. Hearod. Special singing was rendered by Chris Hestor, and Jeanie Hickman, followed with prayer by Charlie Clifton. Guest speaker, Rev. Ken Hubbard, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Wewoka, presented the Friday evening message from Acts 1:8. Dismissal prayer was by Rev. Leon Sheppard. There were 31 present.

Saturday Morning—9:30 a.m. Session

The Saturday morning session was opened by Associational Clerk, Wayne Clagg, with prayer by Fred Clifton. Moderator, Leon Sheppard read the devotion from Psalm 123. Congregational singing was led by Wayne Clagg and accompanied by Jeannie Hickman.

Gary Smith, Assistant Clerk, read letters from three of the churches, First Church, Lone Grove, and North McAlester. Motion made and seconded to seat delegates with right hand of fellowship given by Moderator, Leon Sheppard and Assistant Moderator, Charlie Christian.

Visiting brethren, Don Elkins, president of Hillsdale Free Will Baptist Bible College, was invited to sit in council.

The following committees were appointed:

Pulpit Committee—Rev. Jim Shepherd, Rev. Harry Lee, Rev. Arty Jo Hearod.

Resolution Committee—Don Shields, Rev. Danny Hester, Debbie Denny.

Obituary Committee—Jeannie Hickman, Evelyn Clayborn, Earl Folsom.

Minutes from October Annual Meeting were read and approved. There was a ten minute break for the committees to meet.

Report from pulpit committee—Rev. Danny Hester to bring the 11:00 a.m. message.

Treasurer's report handed out and read by Treasurer, Imogene Lee, was approved. (Total received for quarter, \$4,848.52; Total given to Hillsdale, \$1,970.58; Total given to Missions, \$639.60; Total given to State Co-op, \$1,776.04; Given to S.A.N.E., \$50.00; Other expenditures, \$94.69; Balance in treasury, Dec. 31, 1980, \$172.42).

The following committee reports:

Obituary Committee—reported one deceased member from Lone Grove Church, Sis. Edna Knight.

Resolution Committee—reported as follows: Whereas, the time allowed on the mornings of our quarterly meeting is limited and whereas the duty performed by the Examining Board is of such importance to our association as well as our denomination, that decisions should not be rushed; be it resolved, that any request for examination be submitted in advance, so the Examining Board may meet with candidates prior to our Saturday business session.

Bro. Don Elkins gave a report on Hillsdale Bible College. Charlie Christian gave a report on the 1980 State Meeting.

Report from the Christian Education Board—The next Youth Fellowship to be February 14, 1981, starting at 6:00 p.m., at the North McAlester Church, with a Valentine banquet.

The Christian Education Board contacted Leon Kilbreath for a Sunday School Revival for a fee of \$500.00. The dates he had available were July 9-10-11, 1981. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to proceed with planning of Sunday School convention, but for another date rather than July.

Old business—there was none.

New business—none.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn business session with prayer by Rev. Leon Sheppard. The next quarterly meeting will be April 17 and 18, 1981, at the North McAlester Church.

11:00 a.m. Service

The 11:00 a.m. worship service was opened with congregational singing led by Wayne Clagg and accompanied by Jeannie Hickman. Special singing by Jeannie Hickman and the North McAlester's Men's trio. The message delivered by Rev. Danny Hester was taken from Ezekiel 33. Rev. Arty Jo Hearod, host church pastor welcomed the Association to the Lone Grove Church and dismissed the services in prayer.

Associational Clerk,
Wayne Clagg

QUARTERLY MEETING

**April 17-18, 1981, at North McAlester Church
Friday Night—7:30 p.m. Services**

The Friday night service was held at the North McAlester Church. Rev. Danny Hester, pastor, brought the evening message.

Saturday Morning—9:30 a.m. Session

The Saturday morning session was opened by Associational Clerk, Wayne Clagg with prayer by Jack Hance, then turned to Moderator Leon Sheppard. Songs led by Wayne Clagg accompanied by Jeannie Hickman. Devotion was given by Fred Womack from I Cor. 1:17.

Letters were read from all five churches by Assistant Clerk, Gary Smith. Right hand of fellowship was given by Moderator and Assistant Moderator. One petitionary letter for Fred Womack to be examined for licensing to preach.

The following committees were appointed:

Resolution Committee—Leroy Davenport, Joe Mitchell, Mary Davidson.

Obituary Committee — Lela White, Jeannie Hickman, Joe Zummer.

Pulpit Committee—Oma Bowen, Butch Jackson, Ruth Simmers.

Pulpit Committee reported that the morning message to be delivered by Bro. Lonnie DaVoult.

Minutes read and approved. Bro. DaVoult gave a report on the state. Treasurer's report was given by Imogene Lee and approved.

Obituary Committee reports one deceased—Ada Holliday from Crowder Church. There was a moment of silent prayer and concluded by Rev. Jim Shepherd.

Resolution Committee reports:

- 1. That each church send a list of the people deceased each quarter in their letter to the association. Motion made, seconded, and passed.**
- 2. We will pay for printing of financial report to North McAlester church and the amount to be decided by Imogene Lee. Motion made, seconded, and passed.**

Examining Committee reports—Fred Womack to be licensed to preach for one year.

Christian Education Board reports—that letter sent to Leon Kilbreath, but no reply as of yet. Also that the District C.T.S. competition to be held May 9, at Canadian Shores Church, at 6:00 p.m.

Old business—none.

New business—Motion made, seconded, and passed that Fred

Womack be new member on the Christian Education Board, replacing Mike Allen.

Motion made, seconded, and passed to send \$250.00 to General Fund of Hillsdale Bible College. Motion made, seconded and passed to adjourn business.

11:00 a.m. Services

The 11:00 a.m. service was opened with singing by Gary Smith accompanied by Jeannie Hickman. The message was brought by Lonnie DaVoult from Luke 24. Dismissal prayer by Rev. Harry Lee.

Associational Clerk,
Wayne Clagg

QUARTERLY MEETING

June 26-27, 1981, at Crowder Church

Friday Night—7:30 p.m. Services

The Friday night services were opened by Rev. Leon Sheppard, prayer by Wayne Clagg. Song service was led by Chester Denny accompanied by Danny Hester. Testimony service led by Fred Womack. Special singing by Sheila and Shawn Clagg and the boys quartet from North McAlester. Bro. Sheppard preached from Exodus 14:1-14. There were 31 present.

Saturday Morning—9:30 a.m. Session

The Saturday morning session was called to order by Clerk, Wayne Clagg, with prayer by Leroy Davenport. Rev. Leroy Davenport and Rev. Danny Hester were appointed as Moderator and Assistant Moderator in absence of the elected ones.

Letters were read from four churches by Assistant Clerk, Gary Smith. Right hand of fellowship was given by Bro. Davenport and Bro. Hester.

Gary Smith and Charlie Clifton were appointed to the Examining Board for one day, due to the absence of elected members.

The following committees were appointed:

Pulpit Committee—Don Shields, Margie Butler, Chester Denny.

Obituary Committee—Fred Womack, Jeannie Hickman, Ruth Simmins.

Resolution Committee—Randy Higgins, Lela White, Ruby Eldridge.

Motion made and seconded to accept reading of the minutes. Bro. N. R. Smith, from Hillsdale College gave a report on the school. The following reports were made:

Pulpit Committee—reports Fred Womack to bring the morning message.

Resolution Committee—None.

Obituary Committee—None.

Examining Board—reports that Bill Eldridge to be ordained as deacon.

Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Old business—None.

New business—Melva Davenport was elected as delegate to the National Association. Motion made, seconded and passed to give her \$50.00 for expense. Motion made and second to adjourn business for the day.

11:00 a.m. Services

Songs were led by Wayne Clagg, accompanied by Sheila Clagg. Special songs by North McAlester boys quartet, Jeannie Hickman, and Leroy and Melva Davenport, and Gary Smith and Wayne Clagg. Rev. Fred Womack preached from Jeremiah 38:1-13. Dismissal prayer by Gary Smith.

Associational Clerk,
Wayne Clagg

ANNUAL KIAMICHI ASSOCIATION

October 3-4, 1981, at McAlester First Church

Friday Night—7:30 p.m. Services

The Friday night services were held at Crowder church due to a revival in progress there. The message was brought by evangelist Rev. Burton Perry.

Saturday Morning—9:30 a.m. Session

The Saturday morning session was opened by Rev. Leon Sheppard, Moderator. Songs were led by Melva Davenport accompanied by Danny Hester.

Letters were read from all five churches by Gary Smith, Assistant Clerk. Motion made and seconded to seat delegates with right hand of fellowship given by Moderator Leon Sheppard and Assistant Moderator Charlie Christian.

Charlie Clifton was appointed temporary on the Examining Board in place of absent elected member. The following committees were appointed:

Pulpit Committee—Danny Zumner, Allen Crawford, Don Shields.

Resolution Committee—Debbie Denny, Jerry Lusk, Earl Folsom.

Obituary Committee—Margie Bogan, Lela White, Butch Jackson.

Minutes read and approved. Treasurer's report was read and ap-

proved. After a 15-minute break the following committees reported as follows:

Pulpit Committee—reports Mike Fields to deliver the morning message.

Resolution Committee—Recommend that \$30.00 be paid to the General Board Member to help with expenses for State Assn.

Obituary Committee—One deceased member mentioned for the year, Ada Holliday from Crowder church.

Examining Board—Recommends Ronnie Ragan and Robert Eldridge to be ordained as deacons. Also recommended Rev. Jerry Pilgrim, as an ordained minister, into the Kiamich Assocation. All recommendatons voted on and carried.

Old business—Motion made, seconded and passed to abolish plans for a Sunday School revival with Leon Kilbreath.

New business—Motion made, seconded and passed to send \$250.00 to the Way of the Cross Free Will Baptist Church. Motion made, seconded and passed to send \$75.00 a month for one year to Wade Jernigan through the Checotah Free Will Baptist Church.

The following officers were elected for 1982:

Moderator—Jerry Pilgrim

Assistant Moderator—Danny Hester

Clerk—Gary Smith

Assistant Clerk—Wayne Clagg

Treasurer—Imogene Lee

Assistant Treasurer—Nale Christian

The following board members were elected:

Executive Board: 5-Yr.—Robert Eldridge

4-Yr.—Randy Higgins

Examining Board: 5-Yr.—Danny Hester

Christian Board: 5-Yr.—Don Shields

General Board Member—Jerry Pilgrim

The following dates were set for 1982 meetings:

January 15-16, 1982 — Canadian Shores

April 16-17, 1982 — Lone Grove

June 25-26, 1982 — North McAlester

October 1-2, 1982 — Crowder

11:00 a.m. Services

Songs were led by Eldred Moore, accompanied by Sis. Pilgrim. Special singing by Jerry Pilgrim and Jeannie Hickman. Rev. Mike Fields from Wilburton, brought the mornng message from Psalms 119:126. Dismissal prayer by Charlie Clifton.

Associational Clerk,
Wayne Clagg

QUESTIONS ON DOCTRINE

1. Do you believe that the Scriptures of both the old and the new Testaments are the infallible word of God, and the only safe rule of faith and practice? _____
2. Do you believe that there are three persons in the God Head? _____
3. Name the God Head _____
4. Is salvation obtained only through the blood of Christ? _____
5. Name the conditions of salvation _____
6. Do you believe in a second work of Grace or Baptism of the Holy Ghost, separate and a part of regeneration? _____
7. Do you believe in the doctrine of the unknown tongue as is taught and practiced today? _____
8. What composes the body of Christ? _____
9. Does the Bible teach that God has an organized church on this earth? _____
10. Do you believe that baptism is a Gospel ordinance? _____
11. Who are the proper subjects for baptism? _____
12. What is the Bible mode of baptism? _____
13. Do you believe that the Lord's Supper and Feet Washing are Gospel ordinances and should be observed perpetually? _____
14. Do you teach and practice these ordinances? _____
15. Do you believe that a believer could so apostatize that he would be lost? _____
16. Do you believe in the resurrection of the bodies of all men? _____
17. Do you believe that there will be a judgment when time and man's probation will close forever and then all men will be judged according to their works? _____
18. Do you believe that immediately after the judgment the righteous will enter into eternal life, and the wicked into a state of endless punishment? _____
19. Do you believe that Christ at His second coming will close the Gospel dispensation, glorify His saints, and judge the world? _____
20. I pledge myself to preach and defend the Free Will Baptist Doctrine to the best of my ability. If at any future time I preach or teach any doctrine contrary to the Free Will Baptist Articles of Faith, I will surrender by credentials to the Quarterly Conference of which I am a member.

Date

Signature

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MINISTERS TO BE LICENSED

NAME _____ (____) DATE _____
Age

ADDRESS _____

MEMBER OF _____ CHURCH

1. How long have you been a Christian? _____
2. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? _____
3. Is your wife a Christian? _____
4. Is your wife a member of the church? _____
5. Is your wife willing that you be ordained as a minister? _____
6. How many children do you have? _____
7. If your children have reached the age of accountability, are they Christian? _____
8. Are your children members of the church? _____
9. How long have you been serving as a minister? _____
10. What is God's plan for financing the work? _____
11. Do you tithe? _____
12. What is tithing? _____
13. If you are licensed, will you teach tithing? _____
14. Do you believe that your church should support the overall denominational program? _____
15. What are the Bible qualifications for a minister? _____
16. Do you feel that you are qualified for the office of minister?

17. Are you satisfied with the provision concerning the office of a minister according to the Treatise? _____
18. Name some of the duties of a minister. _____

19. Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder your ministry? _____

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MINISTERS TO BE ORDAINED

NAME _____ (____) DATE _____
Age

ADDRESS _____

MEMBER OF _____ CHURCH

1. Do you have license? _____
2. If you have license, how long have you carried them? _____
3. By what association were they issued? _____
4. How many sermons have you preached? _____
5. Where are you preaching now? _____
6. Why do you want to be ordained? _____

7. How many children do you have? _____
8. Is your wife a member of the Free Will Baptist Church? _____
9. How long have you been a Christian? _____
10. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? _____
11. Is your wife willing that you be ordained? _____
12. Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder your ministry? _____
13. If you have belonged to another denomination, give name of each and length of time with each. _____

14. What is God's plan for financing his work? _____
15. Do you tithe to the church you are a member of? _____
16. Are you willing to make any sacrifice that may be involved in this ministry? _____
17. Will your financial circumstances hinder you in taking the pastoral care of a church? _____
18. Have you had any special training in doctrinal and pastoral theology? _____
19. Do you have plans to better qualify yourself for the ministry? Explain. _____

20. Are you resolved to devote yourself wholly to the ministry? _____
21. Would you be willing to continue preaching under license if this committee felt that it was best? _____

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR DEACONS TO BE ORDAINED

NAME _____ (_____) DATE _____
Age

ADDRESS _____

MEMBER OF _____ CHURCH

1. How long have you been a Christian? _____
2. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? _____
3. Is your wife a Christian? _____
4. Is your wife a member of the church? _____
5. Is your wife willing that you be ordained as deacon? _____
6. How many children do you have? _____
7. If your children have reached the age of accountability, are they Christian? _____
8. Are your children members of the church? _____
9. How long have you been serving as a deacon? _____
10. What is God's plan for financing the work? _____
11. Do you tithe? _____
12. What is tithing? _____
13. If you are ordained, will you teach tithing? _____
14. Do you believe that your church should support the overall denominational program? _____
15. What are the Bible qualifications for a deacon? _____
16. Do you feel that you are qualified for the office of deacon? _____
17. Are you satisfied with the provision concerning the office of a deacon according to the Treatise? _____
18. Name some of the duties of a deacon. _____

19. Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder your work as a Deacon? _____

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CHURCHES

<i>Church</i>	<i>Pastor, Address, Phone</i>	<i>Clerk, Address, Phone</i>
Canadian Shores Indianola, OK 74442	Leroy Davenport Rt. 1 Indianola, OK 74442 918-823-4424	Robert Eldridge Box 163 Indianola, OK 74442 918-823-4324
Crowder Crowder, OK 74430	Leon Sheppard Gen. Del. Crowder, OK 74430 918-334-3513	James Davidson Box 257 Crowder, OK 74430 918-334-3753
Lone Grove St. Route Haywood, OK 74548	Arty Jo Hearod Rt. 1 Box 214 Holdenville, OK 74848 405-379-6124	Dionna Hearod Rt. 1, Box 214 Holdenville, OK 74848 405-379-6124
McAlester First 332 W. Carl Albert Pkwy. McAlester, OK 74501 918-423-5914	Jerry Pilgrim 623 E. Miami McAlester, OK 74501 918-423-3225	Marcella Bess 2013 N. 14th McAlester, OK 74501 918-423-6183
North McAlester 500 W. Ashland McAlester, OK 74501 918-423-0904	Danny Hester 616 E. Mill McAlester, OK 74501 918-423-0407	Sharon Clagg Rt. 2, Box 41AA McAlester, OK 74501 918-423-6159

INFORMATION FOR THE MINISTERS ROLL

<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Church</i>	<i>Telephone</i>
Conn, Don	1211 W. Stonewall McAlester, OK 74501	Lone Grove	405-379-6124
Davenport, Leroy	Route 1 Indianola, OK 74442	Canadian Shores	918-823-4424
Hearod, Arty Jo	Rt. 1, Box 214 Holdenville, OK 74848	Lone Grove	405-379-6124
Henson, Jess	Route 6 McAlester, OK 74501	North McAlester	918-389-4503
Hester, Danny	616 E. Mill McAlester, OK 74501	North McAlester	918-423-0407
Lee, Harry	Route 6, Box 5 McAlester, OK 74501	North McAlester	918-423-6646
Pilgrim, Jerry	623 E. Miami McAlester, OK 74501	McAlester First	918-423-3225
Sheppard, Leon	Gen. Del. Crowder, OK 74430	Crowder	918-334-3513
Zummer, Joe	2615 N. Lost St. McAlester, OK 74501	North McAlester	918-423-3855

KIAMICHI ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME:

Co-op Plan	\$ 8,164.05	
Gifts to Foreign Missions	1,443.82	
Gifts to Home Missions	399.52	
Gifts to State Missions	1,378.16	
Hillsdale (Earmarked)	8,718.87	
Hillsdale (Co-op %)	2,315.04	
National Retirement Endowment	87.85	
Balance on Deposit Oct. 1, 1980	\$	235.32
TOTAL	\$	22,742.63

EXPENDITURES:

State Association (Co-op %)	\$ 7,116.14	
Foreign Missions (Earmarked) ...	1,443.82	
Home Missions (Earmarked)	399.52	
State Missions (Earmarked)	1,378.16	
Hillsdale (Earmarked)	8,718.87	
Hillsdale (Co-op %)	2,315.04	
Hillsdale Association Gift	425.00	
S.A.N.E. Gift	50.00	
State Minutes	100.00	
District Minutes Printed	200.00	
Bank Service Charge	13.00	
Paper	7.25	
National Delegate, Melva Davenport	50.00	
CTS Material	89.69	
National Retirement Fund	87.85	
TOTAL	\$	22,394.34
Total on Deposit Sept. 30, 1981	\$	348.29

