

Minutes of the 17th annual session
of the Liberty Association of Free Will
Baptist which convened with the
Free Will Baptist Youth Camp July
27th & 28th 1954. The Tuesday
morning session was called to
order by singing "Blessed Assurance",
and "Redeem us again", prayer by
Bro. Leo Curtis. Rev. E. E. Vestal read
the scripture lesson from the 19th
Chapter of psalms, prayer by Rev. Hale
Ward. Letters were read, approved
and delegates seated from the
following churches: Triangua,
Springfield, Liberty, Mt. Zion, Amity,
Gardner, Little Pine, Black Oak,
Macedonia, and Rock Chapel.

Rev. Henry Long was elected Moderator
for the setting of this session. Rev.
W. M. Reenes was elected Assistant
Moderator. Committees were appointed
as follows: Healing Committee -
Sis. Myrtle Smith, Sis. Ruth Hudson,
Sis. Lorne Melrose; Business
Committee - Rev. E. E. Vestal, Bro. Ira
Walton, Rev. John Mace; Temperance
Committee - Sis. Opal Hyde, Sis.
Gona Barker, Sis. Hattie Mace;
Obituary Committee - Sis. Lois
Hightower, Sis. Hazel McKeel, Sis.
Alta Garner.

Tuesday 11:00 o'clock
Services opened with singing by
congregation, prayer by Sis. Angel
Alexander, song "Be a light for Jesus".
at this time Rev. E. E. Vestal filled
the pulpit using for a text the
5th Chapter of II Peter.

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was sung and a good old fashioned
handshake was enjoyed by all.
Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Ira
Wallon.

Tuesday afternoon

Tuesday afternoon session opened
with singing by Congregation, prayer
by Bro Paul Bliss. Bro Henry Long
gave for a scripture lesson the
1 Chapter of psalms, Letters were read
and approved. and delegates seated
from Block Oak and Macedonia
Churches. Song "The son who made me
free" and "Nailed to the cross". prayer
by Bro Eddie Pierce. at this time
Rev. Henry Long filled the pulpit
giving for a text the 13th Chapter of
St John's. Communion and feet
washing were observed at this time.
A good handshake of fellowship was
enjoyed by all. Motion made we
accept the request from the Amity
Church and comply with the song.
The Committee was appointed by
the Moderator as follows: Bro Roy
Dodson, Sis Irena Barker, Margaret
Wentland, Bill Alexander, Rev. John
Mace, Rev. E. E. Vestal, Hazel McKel,
Alpha Young, Rev. Henry Long. Motion
made and carried that the next
Liberty Association to convene with
the Block Oak Church. Rev. George
Heckard was elected to preach
Introductory sermon. Rev. E. E. Vestal,
Alternate. Rev. John Mace was
elected to preach the Communion
and feet washing, Sis. Unita
Broyles, Alternate. Dismissed in

Tuesday Night

Session opened with singing by congregation. Prayers were offered by Bro. Frank Lindey and Sister Bertie Dudley. Special singing was rendered at this time by the Latimer family. Rev. William Reeves brought the evening message, using for his text the 16th Chapter of St. John's. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Lingo Corvington.

Wednesday Morning

The Wednesday morning session was called to order by the Assistant Moderator. Songs "When the Redeemed are gathering in" and "I intend to go through with him". The Assistant Moderator Rev. William Reeves read in a scripture lesson the 20th Chapter of Psalms. Prayers by Bro. Bill Alexander. Rollituary report read and approved. The congregation stood in silent prayer in memory of those departed from us in the past year. Temperance report read and approved. Treasure report read and approved. Stetitioner report read and approved. Delegates from Rock Chapel Church were received and seated. Business suspended for 11:00 O'Clock service.

Wednesday 11:00 O'Clock

Services were called to order by singing. "I guess I'm just a little old fashioned". Prayer by Rev. E. E. Vestal. Song - "Elijah's God". Rev. Leo Curtis. Will be the subject at this time.

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for his Scripture the 37th Chapter
of psalms. prayer by sis. Lela Long.
at Christain. handshake was enjoyed
by all. dismissed for the noon hour.

Wednesday afternoon

Wednesday afternoon session
opened with after prayer for Rev +
Mrs. Ezra Vestal. prayer was offered
by Bro. Henry Long. The Moderator read
for a scripture lesson the 23rd
Chapter of psalms. Motion made and
carried to receive the Youth Camp
Committee's report. Rev. W. M. Reems
was elected Statistician. Motion
made and carried that Rev. Cleo
Cordington serve on the Executive
Board for a term of 5 years. Motion
was made and carried that the
Liberty Association send \$10.00 to
the State Association for
entertaining funds. Motion made +
carried that the Liberty Association
send \$10.00 to the State
Association for minutes funds. Motion
made and carried that we send
the following delegates to the State
association. Sis. Georgie Glenn,
Maxine Smith, Bill and Alma
Alexander, Lucille Sell, Freda
Sell, Ansel Alexander, Stella Walton,
Bertie Hudley, Mary Shannon,
Gladys Fullmer, Lucie Baker,
Kenneth Reems. Motion made and
carried that we give our Moderator
the power to appoint those present
at the State Meeting as delegates.
Motion made and carried we have
100 minutes printed. Motion made:

and carried that we recommend
that all that the churches send
10.00 to the Liberty Association
in 1955. Minutes read and
approved.

Moderator / Rev. Henry Long
Clerk / Mickey Jimmons

Enrollment

Ministers And Wives

Rev. and Mrs. George Beckard
Rev. and Mrs. Henry Long
Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Reeves
Rev. and Mrs. John Mace
Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Vestal
Rev. J. W. Moore.

Visiting Ministers And Wives

Rev. and Mrs. Hale Jones
Rev. and Mrs. Paul Bliss
Rev. Leo Curtis
Rev. W. F. Miland

Licensed Ministers

Bro. Eddie Pierce

Deacons And Wives

Mr. & Mrs. Calvin Price
Mr. & Mrs. Ira Walton
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Hodson
Mr. & Mrs. William Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Alexander
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Lindsey
Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Patton
Mr. & Mrs. Godar McKeel
Mr. & Mrs. Don Smith
Mr. & Mrs. George Mc Nabb
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Coffman
Mr. & Mrs. Levi James
Mrs. Lillian

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Mr. Will Chandler

Visiting Deacons and Wives
Sam Baker and Mrs Baker

Delegates

Mrs Mittle, Smith, Alta, Go
Opal Hyde, Hazel McKee
Georgia Mc Nab, Ruth White
Reva Truelove, Eunice Coffey
Mr + Mrs Walter Barker
Johnnie Vestal, Jesse Martin
Bern Hightower, Lois Hightower
Mr + Mrs Roy Latimer, Helpha
Young.

Church Clerks

Mickey Cummins, Minnie Price
Ella Patton, Virgie Jones,
Margaret Wantland.

Temperance Report:

We your Temperance Committee
recommend:

1. That we as Free Will Baptists
abstain from the use of intoxicating
beverages in any form.

2. That we will not
patronize in any way the place of
business that sells intoxicating
beverages that all our people
live as the Bible teaches: a
holy separated life that we might
be a light into the world in
these last days.

Committee / Hattie Mace
Irons Barker
Opal Hyde

Abituary Report

We your Abituary Committee find that our Heavenly Father has called from our midst a number of our beloved brethren and sisters. They were faithful unto death and have gone on to receive their reward of life. We recommend that this body stand in silent prayer in memory of those who have gone on.

The following are the ones who have gone on.

Rock Chapel Church - Mr. Levi Poney
 Monqua Church - Mrs. Bill Covington
 Amity Church - Mrs. Manda Johnston
 Mrs. Eva Stokes
 Springfield Church - Mr. Richard McArthur
 Shaliby - Mrs. Ethel Hawkins
 Little Vine - Miss Letrece Buttram

Committee / Lois Hightower
 Hazel The Keel
 Alta Lorne

Treasurer's Report

Receipts -

Amount Brought forward
from session 16 - 1953

41.50

Disbursements -

Amount for printing minutes 37.50

Clerk fees 10.00

Total disbursements 47.50

Disbursements for session 17

To State Association 10.00

To State ass'n for Entertaining fund 10.00

20.00

Money received from session 56.00

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Bal in Treasury 30.00