



MINUTES  
OF  
TWELFTH ANNUAL  
SESSION  
OF  
MARYLAND STATE  
ASSOCIATION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
1978



## THE MARYLAND STATE ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS

1. The clerk or his assistant or in their absence the senior minister in years shall call the Association to order if a quorum is present. The Moderator or in his absence the Assistant Moderator shall take charge. If neither is present, a Moderator Pro Tem shall be elected.
2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to enroll the ordained personnel and delegates to this Association who shall sign the register upon arrival with name, address, and Quarterly Meeting they represent. Visitors will also be registered.
3. It shall be the duty of each Quarterly Meeting belonging to this Association to send a letter to each annual meeting of this Association reporting in the same its statistics and benevolent work. Any Quarterly Meeting belonging to this Association may be dismissed from the Association by a two-thirds vote of all members present.
4. Each session shall be opened by Scripture reading and prayer and shall be closed with prayer.
5. By a two-thirds vote of all members present a ruling of the Moderator can be overruled.
6. The Moderator shall have the same privileges to speak as any other person, provided the Chair is filled.
7. This Association may correspond by letter or otherwise with other religious bodies.
8. This Association shall sit with open doors except when it shall go into a committee of the whole.

9. Any person not a member of this Association may be allowed to take part in discussion by obtaining permission from the Moderator and properly identifying themselves.
10. Anyone desiring to speak shall stand and address the Moderator by the appellation "Brother Moderator" but shall not speak further until recognized by the Moderator.
11. It shall be the duty of each member of the Association to be present at the time appointed for each meeting. Anyone wishing to retire should first obtain permission from the Moderator.
12. The Moderator of this Association must be an ordained minister and no person may be Moderator more than twice in succession.
13. The Moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.
14. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee provided the person nominated be elected.
15. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to seat delegates in a body in a designated section at the beginning of each session.
16. Five members or a majority of the resident members present shall constitute a quorum in conference.

# CONSTITUTION

## PREAMBLE

We the members of the Free Will Baptist denomination, being baptized upon the profession of our faith in Christ and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us as a State Association and to preserve and maintain correspondence and coordination among us, do therefore adopt this Constitution for our better denominational government.

1. This yearly meeting shall be called the Maryland State Association of Free Will Baptist and shall be composed of such regularly organized and well disciplined Free Will Baptist Quarterly Meetings conveniently located as may embody themselves under this Constitution.
2. The business of this Association shall be conducted by the ordained ministers and deacons and elected delegates and clerks who are members of a Quarterly Meeting within this Association. Each Quarterly Meeting is entitled to three delegates from each church, in addition to the ordained personnel who are standing delegates.
3. The officers of this Association shall be Clerk, Treasurer, and Secretary who shall retain that office until terminated by this Association or themselves. The Moderator shall be elected at the close of the annual meeting of this Association.
4. Any well-organized Free Will Baptist Quarterly Meeting composed of such church as conform to the usages and adopt the doctrines and the Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptist and the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association may at any time, upon application and by majority vote of this Association, become a member thereof.



5. From this time (June 1970) forward, any minister or deacon applying for membership in this Association must first meet the qualifications set forth in First Timothy, Chapter 3 and Titus, Chapter 1. No minister or deacon shall hold membership in this Association if he or his wife have a living companion from a previous marriage.
6. This Association shall have authority to discipline the Quarterly Meetings of which it is composed and exclude them for practices contrary to the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association.
7. The annual meeting of this Association shall convene on Friday morning at 9 o'clock before the fourth Sunday in June and shall have power to adopt any regulations or by-laws not inconsistent with the further regulation of its sessions.
8. This Association shall not recognize any minister or delegate unless they comply with the Constitution and By-Laws thereof.
9. Parliamentary procedure will be governed by "Robert's Rules of Order."

#### GENERAL BOARD

The General Board of this Association shall meet at 7 P.M. on Thursday before the regular Annual Session convenes on Friday morning, and shall consist of the following: Moderator, Clerk, Executive Committee, also two members-at-large from each Quarterly Meeting and the Chairman of all Boards and Committees. It shall be the duty of all members of this Board to be present at the time appointed for each meeting. Proxy representation will be accepted upon presentation of a statement signed by the member. All meetings of this Board shall convene with open doors except when resolved into a committee of the whole. Any person not a member of this Board may be allowed to take part in the discussions by obtaining permission from the Moderator.

MARYLAND STATE ASSOCIATION OF

Rev. Used Mullins

**CONVENED**

**JUNE 23 & 24, 1978**

**AT THE**

**FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

**942 Burks Hill Road**

**Bedford, Virginia**

**HOST PASTOR - REV. BILL STEELE**

**MUSIC DIRECTORS - JACK & JEAN HORSLEY**

**MODERATOR - REV. TOMMY MEADE**

**THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION**

**WILL MEET**

**JUNE 22 & 23, 1979**

**WITH THE**

**FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

**409 Moores Lane, Baldton**

**New Castle, Delaware**

**HOST PASTOR - REV. VERGEL A. MANESS**

**MODERATOR - REV. ROGER MULLINS**

# MARYLAND STATE ASSOCIATION OF

## FREE WILL BAPTISTS

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# BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

## FINANCE COMMITTEE TERM EXPIRES

Rev. Jennings Dotson	1981
Rev. Vergel A. Maness	1980
Rev. Roger Mullins	1979

## STATE MISSION BOARD TERM EXPIRES

Rev. Lester Horton	1980
Rev. Elzo Bevan	1981
Rev. Arthur Click	1981
Rev. Jim Hopson	1979
Rev. Paul Turner	1979

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TERM EXPIRES

Rev. Curtis Byrd	1981
Rev. Vergel Maness	1981
Rev. Elzo Bevan	1980
Rev. William Steele	1980
Rev. Dewey Lockee	1979

## NATIONAL ASSOCIATION GENERAL TERM EXPIRES

### BOARD MEMBER

Rev. Elzo Bevan	1979
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**GENERAL BOARD -- consists of**

**Moderator, Clerk, Executive Committee,**

**Two Members at large from each Quarterly Meeting**

**Chairman of all Boards and Committees**

**Meets -- 7 P.M., Thursday Night, June 21, 1979**

**DELEGATES TO MARYLAND STATE ASSOCIATION -- consists of**

**Ordained Ministers, Deacons, and Clerk**

**of each Quarterly Conference**

**Three (3) elected delegates from each church**

**ANNUAL MEETING CONVENES FRIDAY MORNING 9 O'CLOCK  
BEFORE THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN JUNE**

**(see Constitution and By-Laws)**

**ALL CHURCHES PLEASE RESERVE THESE DATES**

**that we might have full representation**

**at each ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING**

**REPORTS RECEIVED FROM:**

**NATIONAL OFFICERS**

**Board of Foreign Missions**

**Home Missions - Church Extension**

**Sunday School Department**

**Executive Office**

**Retirement and Insurance**

**Church Training Service**

**Laymen's Board**

**Woman's Auxillary**

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**Route 9**

**Greenville, Tennessee 37743**

## MINUTES

Friday, June 23, 1978

### 9:00 a.m. Session

The 12th Annual Session of the Maryland State Association of Free Will Baptists convened on Friday, June 23, 1978 at 9 a.m. with the First Free Will Baptist Church at Bedford, Virginia. The Session opened with congregational singing "When We All Get To Heaven" led by Jack and Jean Hersley, music directors for the conference.

Rev. William Steele, Host Pastor, welcomed the Association to First Free Will Baptist Church, and after announcements regarding activities for the day called upon Rev. Reed Mullins to lead in the opening prayer.

Rev. Curtis Byrd brought the morning devotions with Scripture Reading - Romans 10:1-4.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Tommy Meade and he appointed Rev. Reed Mullins, clerk pro-tem. The ladies in the congregation were invited to join the women of the Ladies Auxillary also in session. The afternoon Ministers' Conference was deleted from the days program.

The clerk was called upon to read the letters from the three quarterly conferences; Maryland-New Jersey, Northern Virginia, and New River. Moved, seconded, and carried that the letters be accepted as read. The ordained ministers, deacons, clerks, and delegates were seated for business.

The Moderator appointed a Committee on Committees: Bro. Griffith, Bro. McMillen, and Bro. Steele as Chairman. Bro. Horton was appointed as Assistant Moderator.

The Moderator recognized visitors and corresponding messengers: Rev. Robert Morgan, representing the Free Will Baptist Children's Home; Bro. Delmer Wood from the Sunday School Department, National Office; and Bro. Thigpen from Free Will Baptist Bible College.

The Moderator called for the State Home Missions Board Report. Report read and presented by Rev. Lester Horton, Chairman, as follows: The Board met March 1978, at which time it was agreed that as of April 1, 1978 the church would assume payment of the parsonage utilities totaling \$128.67 monthly. And projected as of August 1, 1978, church would assume another \$263.16 per month for Social Security, Blue Cross and Blue Shield, and Retirement, and \$100.00 per month of pastor's salary. Board recommends increase in salary (effective 8/1/78) of \$60.00 per month. Total salary paid from Mission Board \$647.92 monthly. The State Mission Board will pay \$100.00 of Bro. Maness' expenses to the National Association. Gifts to Delaware Project from 6/30/77 through 5/31/78 totaled \$2,990.35. Contributions to Bro. Maness' account from the New Castle Church totaled \$1,611.72. (This is commendable.) Projected goal - full time support by the church as of January 1979, however this will depend on their growth and ability at that time. Our thanks to Bro. Maness and family and the fine folks in the New Castle Church for a job well done. We recommend that Bro. Maness' contract be extended until the church can assume full-time support as planned. We encourage all our churches to support our State Mission work so we will be able to build more Free Will Baptist Churches to the Glory of the Lord -- Prayerfully Submitted

Moved, seconded and carried that this report be adopted.

Rev. Robert Morgan, pastor of Harris Memorial Baptist Church was called upon to give a report for the Children's

Home in Greenville, Tennessee. With a thought from Psalm 90:14 "Oh, satisfy us early with thy mercy, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days," Bro. Morgan representing for Rev. Raper, director at the home, shared some of the activities of the home, and problems involved in seeking to meet the physical, spiritual, emotional needs of the children under their care. Thanks were given for past help, and request was made for prayer support and continued financial support of this ministry. Report accepted as information.

Bro. Wood was called upon to give the report from the Sunday School Department. After bringing a word of Greeting from the National Office he gave information regarding new materials in print and services available to aid the local church ministries. Report accepted.

Bro. Maness gave report of God's ministry and progress of growth in the mission work in New Castle, Delaware. Sunday School attendance grew from 30's in September 1977 to 81 average in March and May. Average attendance at church on Sunday morning 82. Finances average about \$325.00 a week. Received 16 into membership this year. Led 26 to salvation; 50 rededicated lives and baptised 37. Thanks were given for those who have supported the work financially and with prayers. Praise was given to God for 3 men chosen out as Deacons, and for the goal of being totally self supporting by January 1979. Report accepted as information.

Dean Thigpen from Free Will Baptist Bible College expressed the blessing of being with us to fellowship in our State Association meeting. A report was circulated giving information regarding monies given and students - states represented. We were asked to do three things: (1) Pray - as moral standards of world get worse, the task gets harder to hold standards high. (2) Promote the college, and (3) Provide students, born-again Christians to train as leaders; and finances to



to help carry on the work. Every student required to study Bible while in college, regardless of their Major, and required to look and act like Christian leaders. Of the 640 students enrolled 11 represent churches from Maryland and the State Association. We were requested to give to the General Fund \$1,000.00 this year from our Association churches. Report accepted as information.

Brother Bevan presented the reports from National for the Departments of the Masters Men and CTS expressing the blessing that has come in their church through these ministries.

The Moderator called upon Bro. Maness to give the report of the Home Missions Department from Rev. Roy Thomas, Association Director. PRAISE: Twelve new couples went to the field, and income soared to \$702,578.44. THANKS for the \$5,472.45 given by Maryland State Association on quota of \$8,000.00. Quota for 1978 - \$9,000.00; received to date - \$2,612.21 Bro. Maness also gave information regarding Bro. Shockey's health and resignation as Home Missions Director, and told of a Book of Friends to be made up and presented to Bro. Shockey at National Convention. All contributions sent in would have their names included in the Book and the monies to go toward General Fund for Home Missions. Report received as information.

The Moderator called for the report from the Committee on Committees. Recommended to serve were:

Resolutions Committee - Ralph Weaver, Chairman;  
Curtis Byrd and Elzo Bevan

Nominating Committee - Dwite Ferguson, Chairman;  
Clyde Settle and Don Sturgill

Moved, seconded to accept as recommended. Carried.

Motion made, seconded and carried to recess until 1:30 p.m. to give way to the Morning Worship Service.

## 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Rev. Roger Mullins presided over the Worship Service and opened with devotional thoughts from Joshua 1:5-6 "as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee," and from Joshua 24:14-15 "Fear the Lord;" "Choose you this day whom ye will serve." Bro. Curtis Byrd led in prayer.

Congregational singing - "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," led 1 music directors and offering was received. Special music was presented in a medley of songs by the Sky Masters, Midway Church Singers, "When I Wake Up to Sleep No More," "When It's My Time," "I'm Going Up" and "What A Time."

Rev. Vergel Maness Spoke on our Conference Theme expressing the meaning of the words --earnestly--contend--the faith, Jude 3:6. Accomplished "Through the Unity of the Believers" Acts 2:1. Invitation Song "Just As I Am." After announcements by Bro. Steele we were dismissed in prayer for lunch, provided by the ladies of the host church.

## 1:30 p.m. Session

Opened with congregational singing "Victory in Jesus" led by Jack Horsley. Erma Goff sang a solo "Homesick for Heaven." Mrs. Maness, President of the Woman's State Auxiliary, gave a report of the project for the year and encouraged the pastors to get their ladies to meet together in an Auxiliary Study Packets (Co-Laborers) are available from the National Office. She introduced the other office of the State Auxiliary, Sister Horton, Field Worker, would be glad to help any church get their Auxiliary group start. Other officers include: Pat Mullins, Secretary-Treasurer, and Mrs. Steele, Vice President.

Mrs. Maness introduced the afternoon speaker, Mrs. Wisehar Women's National Auxiliary Field Worker, who gave a report

of the National work, and literature available. The Ladies Auxiliary gives women an opportunity to serve the the Lord. Maryland State Association has for the past four years had winners in the writing contest for the Co-Laborer magazine, published quarterly by WNAC. It includes monthly programs, articles and world-wide news of the Woman's Auxiliary plus news and prayer requests of the missionaries.

In her devotional Mrs. Wisehart presented Victory Through Faith - Joshua 10:25 "Thus shall the Lord do to all your enemies against whom ye fight." Faith is vital, energetic, and makes it possible to live triumphant in all circumstances. Faith to overcome the world - (anything that hinders us from being our best for God). God wants us to be triumphant through faith, even as the Heroes of faith recorded for us throughout scripture. Faith able to say as the Shunemite woman who laid her dead child on Elisha's bed and rode to the prophet; yet when asked, could say - "It is well."

Mrs. Maness called for appointment of delegates to the National Convention. Appointed were: Ann Cathell, Marion Ryan and Margaret Delph. Pat Mullins, Treasurer, gave her report. It is included in the total report of the morning session held by the Maryland State Woman's Auxiliary filed at the conclusion of these minutes. An offering was received and Bro. Wampler closed this portion of the session with prayer.

The Moderator, Tommy Meade, called the regular Business back into session, and the report from the Director of Finance, Bro. Wampler, was given listing the churches and their giving to Missions as sent through his office. Report accepted as information

Bro. Ashley was called upon to read the report of the Board of Retirement and Insurance letter from Herman Hersey,

Director. In our Association two churches are supporting their pastors in the retirement program; Bro. Bevan and Bro. Maness. Gifts to the General Fund are also important for they pay the expense of operating the Board of Retirement. Quota for Maryland State contributions for the General Fund for 1978 is \$600.00. Report received as read.

The report from the General Board Meeting held Thursday night, June 22, 1978 was circulated and read. (Complete report filed at end of these minutes.) Moved, seconded and carried to accept this report.

Rev. Jim Hopson gave a report of the work in Sparta, North Carolina, of God's blessings and property for church site. Motion made, seconded, and carried to recess until Saturday morning at 9 a.m. Dismissal prayer by Rev. Maness.

#### YOUTH BANQUET

The Youth Banquet was held Friday night at 7:30 p.m. at Homestead Catering near Forest, Virginia. Rev. Horton led in prayer asking God's blessing on the evening. After a delicious meal Jack Horsley led in singing "Amazing Grace" and Curtis Ashley took over as Master of Ceremonies. The youth took part in an excellent program. John Poff and David McKinney led in prayer and scripture reading - Psalm 16:11. Hearts were blessed by special music presented by: Chestnut Hill Youth accompanied by Mrs. Dotson, singing "He's Coming Again" and "Touring That City;" Woodland youth accompanied by Timmy Gauldin singing "I'll Soon Be Gone" and "One Day I Will;" piano solo, "How Great Thou Art" by Timmy Gauldin; Rhonda Mullins played and sang "Only One Life" joined in duet by her mother, Pat Mullins; Dena Horsley sang "I'll Walk on Streets of Gold" accompanied at piano by her mother Jean Horsley.

Charles A. Thigpen, Academic Dean, Free Will Baptist College spoke on II Timothy 3:12-17 "The Word, Holy and Profitable."

The Scripture Holy because it originated with a Holy God, communicated by the Holy Spirit penned down by Holy Men, and abiding by it's teachings produces a Holy life. The Scriptures Profitable for doctrine - teaching, for reproof - conviction, for correction - bringing our lives into line, for instruction in righteousness - prayer, that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

After announcements by B&O Steele regarding activities for Saturday morning, especially the ministry provided for the youth, he led in a prayer of Benediction.

#### SATURDAY BUSINESS SESSION

June 24, 1978

9:00 a.m. Session

Session was opened with congregational singing "I Am Thine Oh Lord." Rev. Houston Mullins brought a devotional from Ephesians 2:1-10.

The Moderator, Tommy Meade, recognized visitors and corresponding messengers, and called upon Jerry Banks, Missionary to Japan, to give the report from the Foreign Missions Department. Your missionaries express heartfelt thanks for your prayers and support. Average monthly giving for 1977 totaled \$117,618.77. Needed for 1978 monthly \$140,466.67. Quota for Maryland State Association for 1978 \$8,000.00. Plan to schedule Jerry Banks and family in your church this year (P.S. note from Henry Van Kluyve, Director of Deputation). Report accepted as information.

The Moderator called for the report from Committees. Rev. Dotson presented the Budget for 1978-1979. Motion made and seconded to adopt the Budget as presented with the stipulation to mail each pastor of the conference a copy. It was amended to increase from \$30.00 to \$50.00 the share in expense of National Delegates to conference.



Miscellaneous expenses cut to \$700.00. Moved, seconded and passed to accept amendment. The Budget was adopted.

The Report of the Nominating Committee was given by Don Sturgill. They recommended:

Moderator for next Association Rev. Curtis Byrd  
State Mission Board - Re-elect Rev. Elzo Bevan  
State Mission Board - Re-elect Rev. Arthur Click  
Budget Committee - Re-elect Rev. Jennings Dotson  
Executive Board - Re-elect Rev. Curtis Byrd  
Executive Board - Nominate Rev. Vergel Maness

Moved, seconded and carried to re-elect Rev. Elzo Bevan and Rev. Arthur Click for three year term to State Home Missions Board - term to expire 1981. Moved, seconded and carried to re-elect Rev. Jennings Dotson to Budget Committee - term to expire 1981. Moved, seconded and carried to re-elect Rev. Curtis Byrd to Executive Board - term to expire 1981. Moved, seconded and carried to elect Rev. Vergel Maness to Executive Board - term to expire 1981. Nominations from the floor for Moderator for next Association motion made and seconded nominating Rev. Roger Mullins. Vote was taken between Rev. Mullins and Rev. Curtis Byrd. Rev. Mullins was elected to serve.

Report of Resolutions Committee was read by Rev. Curtis Byrd. Moved and seconded to adopted resolutions and deal with item by item:

1) Motion made and seconded to amend the resolution read on ERA to include all of Item B from the previous years' resolutions. Carried to adopt resolution in entirety.

2) Resolution regarding Betting - moved and seconded to adopt. Suggested to enlarge to include Daily Numbers and State Lotteries - did not carry. Suggested to rephrase with introduction to show that our State Association includes churches in Virginia. Moved, seconded and carried to adopt this resolution with this change.

3) Recommendation regarding Bob Shockey and Book of Friends - moved, seconded and carried to send gift of \$25.00 from Maryland State Association for Home Missions to be in-

cluded in this book which is to be presented at the National Association (For full print of Resolution see end of minutes.) (Letters were sent to National Association and Anita Bryant with copies of Resolution as stated in Resolution #1.)

The Moderator called for the Treasurer's Report from Bro. Cossie Meade. He recommended that if churches can not give 3% of General offering as agreed upon - try giving 1%. Treasury financially embarrassed, can't do anything without funds.

Report - Received from Northern Va. Conf.	\$1,563.49
Received from New River Conf.	1,219.94
Received from Md.-N.J. Conf.	<u>300.26</u>
Total Received	\$3,083.69

#### Amounts Paid Out

Reed Mullins	\$300.00
Minutes	167.97
Vergel Maness	100.00
Ruby Angel	35.00
Maryland State Missions	948.00
E. Fortner	25.00
Lester Horton	<u>175.00</u>
Total Expenditures	\$1,332.72

Moved, Seconded and carried to accept this report.

The Moderator called upon Rufus Coffey, Executive Secretary, to bring the report from the office of the National Association. He spoke briefly about our theme, thanking God for those faithful who are standing and contending for the faith; keeping up the spiritual standards of our denomination. We need Spirit-directed action in contending. He spoke of a need for a vision beyond our local churches to see the world in need, and a consistent giving in support of our National work. We were reminded of the Contact magazine, our National publication, and of the

National Convention beginning Sunday night, July 16th.  
Report accepted as General Information.

The Moderator presented the request from the First Free Will Baptist Church of New Castle, Delaware to host next year's meeting - June 22 and 23. Motion made, seconded and carried that we meet there.

Delegates to the National Convention were presented: Charles and Marian Ryan, Bro. Dennis Lee, Hall and Margaret Delph. Motion made, seconded and carried that these serve as delegates with the stipulation that our State representative appoint substitutes if necessary.

Bro. Wampler, Director of Finance, restated need for \$25.00 for postage, and was reminded that he is to automatically submit to the General Fund for expense monies as needed.

Report of the Promotional Secretary, Rev. Reed Mullins, was presented. He told briefly of the visits he had been able to make this year in 16 churches, and feels the need to be able to do more. Requested prayer that it would be possible to go into this work full-time, Promoting - seeking to explain what the State does - the need and purpose of the State Association. There are areas where need to start new churches, and need to meet with other churches wanting to join the Association. Report accepted as information.

The floor was open for new business. Rev. Houston Mullins spoke on the 3% giving from the churches in the quarterly conferences, and being faithful to commitments Bro. Steele spoke on answering your mail, being courteous, for those trying to plan the State meeting. Rev. Horton spoke on the need for starting a work in Fredricksburg, Virginia and requested reports from Boards and committees be printed and sent to pastors and people that couldn't come. Names, addresses and telephone numbers of all ordained preachers a to be included in this years state minutes.

There was question regarding giving the \$20 per church with the letter to the Association. Had been established in previous session.

There was discussion regarding the National Directory of churches and pasors and how our conference and churches are listed - indes, and under the State Association by quarterly conferences. Suggested each pastor purchase a directory.

The expense of the young people's tour of the Holy Land to be included as Convention expense.

Motion made to give the Host church a standing vote of Appreciation.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adjourne the business session for the morning service.

Directions were given for any who wished to visit the Holy Land, USA following the morning service.

#### 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Presided over by Rev. Bill Steele; Jack and Jean Horsley, music directors, led in congregational singing "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus," and following the offertory, sang a duet special "Never Been this Homesick Before."

Rev. Elzo Bevan was presented to bring the morning message "Rewards for Keeping the Faith." Reading from I Corinthians 3:10-15, Revelation 3:11 and II John 8. After emphasizing that Salvation is a Gift of God, received in response to faith crowns to be presented at the Judgment Seat of Christ as rewards. (1) Incorruptible - I Corinthians 9:24-25; (2) Crown of Life - Revelation 2:10; (3) Crown of Glory - I Peter 5:2-4; (4) Crown of Rejoicing - I Thessalonians 2:19-20 and (5) Crown of Righteousness - I Timothy 4:6-8.

Following the closing hymn we shook hands and were dismissed by the Benediction.

## MARYLAND STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY Minutes of Business Meeting

The Fifth Annual Meeting of the Maryland State Woman's Auxiliary was held June 23, 1978 at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Bedford, Virginia. Our theme "Victory thru Faith Over the World" I John 5:4. We opened by singing "Victory in Jesus" led by Dortha Steele. We were welcomed by Beulah Beasley and led in prayer by Doris Robinson. The meeting was then called to order by President Alyne Maness. She recognized Mrs. Mary Ruth Wisehart from the Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee who was our speaker for the afternoon church service.

The minutes of the previous meeting and the treasurer's report were approved as read.

Field Worker, Mrs. Lottie Horton, reported that two new auxiliaries had been formed and that one was not as yet a member of the State but hopefully would be by next year.

The following delegates were recognized: Josephine Adams, Margaret Delph, Laura Andrews, Faye Wells and Minnie Weaver

There was no old business. The first matter of new business was to approve a Special State Project. Over the year the amount of \$179.51 had been sent in by the local auxiliaries for this purpose. Sister Lottie Horton read letters from WNAC and from Home Missions that presented several projects to be considered. A motion was made and carried that we add \$20.49 from the State Treasury to make \$200.00 and send \$100.00 to WNAC toward the purchase of a much needed stencil machine and \$100.00 to Home Missions toward the purchase of typewriters and other machines for the use of our missionaries. A motion was made and carried that we continue our



Special Project each year. Sister Horton read a letter from the Foreign Missions Department which presented several needs. From this we voted to set a goal of \$275.00 for the next year for the education of the Frank Children in Brazil. These monies to be forwarded as they come in.

A motion was made and carried that we elect our officers for a two year term and that no more than half of our officers be changed at one time.

A motion was made and carried that we add to our slate of officers three members-at-large to work with the Executive Committee and that a quorum of four be required to conduct any business.

Sister Horton reported on the retreat held by the Northern Virginia District at Camp Shiloh in Standardville, Virginia in early May. She encouraged all who could to attend the next retreat - details to be provided when available.

A motion was made and carried that the District Auxiliary hosting the State Meeting plan the program for the meeting.

A motion was made and carried that we send \$20.00 to Home Missions in honor of Bro. Bob Shockey and our name placed in a Book of Remembrance to be presented to him at the National Association.

At the recommendation of Laura Andrews of the Nominating Committee, the body approved the same slate of officers for the coming two years. They are President Alyne Maness, Vice President Dortha Steele, Field Worker Lottie Horton, and Secretary-Treasurer Patricia Mullins. The following were elected for the Nominating Committee: Doris Robinson, Laura Andrews and Marion Ryan. The following were elected to serve as Members-at-Large: Laura Andrews, Betty Stipes and Gay Settle. The following were asked to represent the

State Auxiliary as delegates to the National Meeting:  
Ann Cathell, Marion Ryan and Margaret Delph.

An offering was received and we were adjourned with  
prayer led by Doris Robinson.

We have 116 members coming from 10 local auxiliaries  
and 3 districts.

#### Auxiliary Treasurer's Report

Membership fees	116.00
Home Missions	1,417.40
Foreign Missions	557.00
Bible College	119.00
WNAC	472.34
Children's Home	145.00
Retired Ministers	85.00
Local Church Activities	2,712.10
Auxiliary Lit. Supplies	186.77
Special Offerings	<u>.745.48</u>
Total	<u>\$6,556.09</u>

#### Non-cash Gifts

Children's Home	405.00
WNAC Provisions Closet	<u>881.99</u>
Total	<u>\$1,286.99</u>

Patricia Mullins  
Secretary-Treasurer

## GENERAL BOARD REPORT

Moderator opened meeting: Rev. Tommy Meade

Devotional reading: Psalm 1

Prayer: Rev. Bill Steele

Members present:

Moderator:

Rev. Tommy Meade

Executive Board

Rev. Elzo Bevan,

Rev. William Steele,

Rev. Dewey Lockee

State Secretary

Mrs. Lillian Lockee

Chairman - Budget

Rev. Jennings Dotson

Chairman - State Missions

Rev. Lester Horton

Promotional Secretary

Rev. Reed Mullins

State Missionary

Rev. Vergel Maness

Members-at-Large

Northern Va. Conference

Bro. Griffin

Md.-N.J. Conference

Rev. McMillen, Rev. Click

1. Received report of State Mission Board. Accepted.
2. Received report of Home Mission Treasurer. Accepted as information to be given as included in State Mission Board Report.
3. Received Treasurer's Report of General Fund. Accepted, to be presented to General Body.
4. Missionary Report received and accepted as information.
5. State Paper - a balance in account of \$48.60. Recommend add to \$100.00 given to Bro. Maness for expenses to National Association.
6. Letters from conferences received, recommended to be presented to body of conference.
7. Report from Promotional Secretary, Rev. Reed Mullins, received and accepted to be presented.
8. Bro. Steele presented need for involving the Young People in our State Association yearly conference. Recommend each church promote Young People to participate in the Associational program next year.
9. Budget Committee Report received, revised and adopted.
10. Motion made and carried to adjourn.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Reed Mullins.

# MARYLAND STATE ASSOCIATION

## BUDGET 1978-1979

CONVENTION EXPENSES	\$ 500.00
GENERAL BOARD MEMBER'S NATIONAL EXPENSE	250.00
GIFTS TO NATIONAL DELEGATES (\$50.00 each)	250.00
STATE PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY	1200.00
SALARY AND BENEFITS FOR HOME MISSIONARY	8626.00
MISSION BOARD EXPENSE	300.00
STATE MISSION FUND	1800.00
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	700.00
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	\$ 13,626.00
LESS DESIGNATED GIVING TO MISSION PROJECT	8,626.00
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NET STATE BUDGET	\$ 5,000.00

## REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

1. In view of the Divine order of the Holy Scriptures, of God, Christ, man and woman, and the position of womanhood to be honored as the weaker vessel

And WHEREAS there is a nationwide movement to amend the constitution of the United States to adopt the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) which would place women on an equal basis with a man therefore violating the teaching of Scripture

And WHEREAS if this amendment is adopted it will endanger the Social Security Program for Women, also eliminating separation on the basis of sexes in Prison Institutions, Hospitals, Public Facilities, etc.

And WHEREAS if this amendment is passed Homosexuals will be permitted to marry and adopt children, therefore destroying the morals and lifestyle of our society and furthermore would subject the women to be drafted into the armed forces in case of military conflict.

### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

1. That Maryland Association of Free Will Baptist go on record as being opposed to the adoption of the Equal Rights Amendment and that we use our influence in society to defeat this amendment.

2. That we send a letter to the National Association of Free Will Baptist informing them of our action and request that the National Association officially oppose the adoption of the Equal Rights Amendment.

### BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

3. That this association reaffirm our opposition to the practice of Homosexuality and that this association write a letter to Anita Bryant commending her for her effort against homosexuality.



## RESOLUTIONS (continued)

No. 2. The Maryland State Association with churches in Virginia, knowing the evils and corruption that follows gambling, We as Free Will Baptist go on record as being in opposition to the promotion of betting in the State of Virginia and any other state.

WHEREAS we recommend that the News Media be informed of our stand against Legalized Horse Racing in Virginia and any other state.

No. 3. In view of the fact that Bro. Bob Shockey has resigned as Director of National Home Mission and Church Extension, We the Maryland State Association of Free Will Baptist extend our deepest appreciation and heart felt thanks for a job well done and for God giving us a man like Bro. Bob Shockey who was willing to go beyond and above the call of the National Home Mission Office, who felt that the Call of God required his all, and Bro. Bob gave his all for the Glory of God.

We of the Maryland State Association say tanks Bro. Bob. We recommend that this be included in the Book of Friends and that we send a \$25.00 donation.

MARYLAND STATE ASSOCIATION FWB CHURCHES  
AND ORDAINED MINISTERS

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Rev. Leonard Hall  
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23 Ordained Ministers

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Elzo Bevan  
Curtis H. Byrd  
Arthur Click  
Jennings Dotson  
Dwite Ferguson  
Richard Herndon  
Noah L. Hicks  
Jimmy Hopson  
Jack Horsley  
Lester Horton  
Dewey W. Lockee  
Vergel A. Maness  
E. E. McMillen  
Cossie Meade  
Tommy Meade  
Delmer Miller  
Arthur Mullins  
C. Reed Mullins  
Harold O'Dear  
Houston Mullins  
Roger Mullins  
Harold Pickeral  
Clyde Settle  
William Steele  
Don Sturgill  
Eugene Wampler  
Ralph Weaver

### Delegates

Ruby Click  
Margaret Delph  
Eileen Fortner  
Donald E. Griffith  
Jean W. Horsley

### Church

Midway  
Bethel (Virginia)  
Trinity  
Community  
Chestnut Hill  
Fairwood  
Bethel (Maryland)  
Bethel (Maryland)  
Sparta  
Woodland Heights  
Fairwood  
Hope  
New Castle  
Mt. Calvary  
Bethel (Virginia)  
Bethel (Virginia)  
Calvary  
Midway  
Fairwood  
Calvary  
Centerville  
Stephens City  
Fairwood  
Mt. Calvary  
Bedford  
New Home  
Mt. Calvary  
Woodland Heights

### Church

Community  
Fairwood  
Mt. Calvary  
Fairwood  
Woodland Heights



Delegates

Dennis Lee  
Lillian Lockee  
David McKinney  
Alyne Maness  
Marie Miller  
Patricia Mullins  
Rhonda Mullins  
Stella Mullins  
Reba O'Dear  
Mrs. Bill Ramsey  
Lillian Petty  
Bill Ramsey  
Doris Robinson  
Sylvia Roten  
Gay Settle  
Shirley Sheets  
Raymond Stevens  
Betty Stipes  
Ken Stipes  
Mrs. Ralph Weaver  
Kenny Wells  
Allen P. Woodford

Church

Trinity  
Hope  
Bethel (Virginia)  
New Castle  
Calvary  
Stephens City  
Stephens City  
Centerville  
Calvary  
Bethel (Maryland)  
New Home  
Bethel (Maryland)  
Fairwood  
New Home  
Mt. Calvary  
New Home  
Bedford  
Bethel (Virginia)  
Bethel (Virginia)  
Woodland Heights  
Bedford  
Bedford

## REGISTERED ATTENDANCE

### VISITORS

#### Adwolfe Free Will Baptist - Marion, Va.

Ruth E. Jones

William R. Jones

#### Bethel Free Will Baptist - Woodbridge, Va.

Sandy Harper

Becky Howard

Curtis Kearns

Judy Meade

Lucille Meade

Tony Sekulich

#### Chestnut Hill - Big Island, Va.

Brandon Burks

Brenda Burks

Denise Burks

Kristi Burks

Tina Burks

Cheryl Campbell

Chris Dotson

Newl Dotson

Ruth Dotson

Bernice Floyd

Russell Floyd

Bonnie Goff

Emma Goff

#### Fairwood Free Will Baptist - Fairfax Station, Va.

Carol Adams

Josephine S. Adams

Wanda Adams

Myrl Pickeral

Roger Powers

Doris Robinson

Vanessa Mullins

#### First Free Will Baptist - Bedford, Va.

Brandon Miller

Mrs. Shenna Miller

Avon Rose

Mary Rose

Becky Wells

Lisa Wells

#### Macedonia Free Will Baptist - Sparta, N. Carolina

Kevin Hopson

Danny Jones

Mrs. Jean Jones

#### Midway Free Will Baptist - Blacksburg, Va.

Deedra Gordon

Ferrell Gordon

Janise Gordon

Mrs. Arthur Mullins

Johnny Poff

Norma Poff

#### Mt. Calvary Free Will Baptist - Perryman, Md.

Aileen Fortner

Mark McMillen

Phyllis McMillen

Sheri McMillen

Todd McMillen

H. Louise Wampler

Theresa Settle

VISITORS

New Hope Free Will Baptist - Piney Creek, N.C.

John Shatley Sherryl Roten

Patty Sheets Sylvia Roten

Stephens City Free Will Baptist - Stephens City, Va.

Becky Mullins Chris Mullins

Brent Mullins Melissa Mullins

Stone Mountain Free Will Baptist

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Priscillia Mullins

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Mr. & Mrs. Robert Morgan

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Rufus Coffey

Dr. Charles A. Thigpen

Delbert B. Wood

Missions Department

Jerry Banks - Missionary, Japan

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

### Maryland-New Jersey

The Executive Committee met with the Bethel Baptist Church, Baltimore, Maryland, Thursday Evening, October 13, 1977 per their request to join with our Quarterly Conference. They were officially received into the conference during our Quarterly meeting October 22, 1977. The church name and address and pastor is as follows:

Bethel Baptist Church affiliated with Free Will Baptists - 931 Armstead Way, Baltimore, Maryland  
Pastor - Noah L. Hicks; Deacon - Richard Herndon  
We have enjoyed their fellowship with us.

The Hope Free Will Baptist Church dedicated their new building Sunday afternoon May 14, 1977. Rev. Eugene McMillen preached the Dedication Message.

(We have enjoyed the fellowship of Brother McMillen and his wife and are sorry to see them moving away. We trust that God will richly bless them and continue to use them.)

Brian Atwood, graduate of Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tenn. was ordained into the ministry at a very special service at his home church Mt. Calvary, Perryman, Maryland. A commissioning and laying on of hands was made as he and his wife prepared for their new service, a Pastorate in Indiana. We pray God's richest blessings on them and their ministry.

Deedra Gordon

Ferrall Gordon

Janise Gordon

Mrs. Arthur Mallins

Johany Poff

Norma Poff

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