

- a. The Lord is concerned about you.
- b. Its not about us, It's about Him.
- c. God has to teach us at times to help us relax.
- d. Storms of God to make us more mature.
- e. Sometimes Satan caused storms.
- f. God has promised to supply all our needs.
- g. His Grace is Sufficient. Stand fast.
- h. God is faithful.
- i. Believe in Jesus and be saved.
- j. Always trust God.
- k. Believe in the Word of God. It's the inspired Word.

Minutes of the Mid-Atlantic District Association
Of Free Will Baptists Annual Meeting
Meeting at the New Castle FWB Church in New Castle, DE
November 2, 2019

The meeting began with Rev. Wayne Hale, pastor of the New Castle FWB Church welcoming the congregation to their church and to this annual meeting. He then led the congregation in prayer.

Dr. Allen Hall called the business portion of the meeting to order and seated the delegates. The business portion was opened for business by Dr. Hall. The minutes were read by Rev. Wayne Hale. Motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the minutes. Rev. Hale then gave the treasurer's report. Motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept this report.

Visitors from the Free Will Baptist National Offices were recognized and the following reports were given. Elizabeth Hodges gave a report on the WNAC. David Brown gave a report on the Free Will Baptist Foundation. Brad Ransom gave a report on the North American Ministries. Derek Altom gave a report on Welch College. A video report was then shown from the Board of Retirement.

Under Old Business, everyone was reminded to sign in on the sign-up sheets. The churches were reminded to pay their dues to the clerk/treasurer. The Executive Committee reminded all of the rotation of churches to host the annual association meeting. Townsend—November 7, 2020, Christ Total Solution—November 6, 2021, and Cross Keys Fellowship—November 5—2022. These are followed by the Good News Church in York, PA, the Mt. Calvary Church in Aberdeen, MD, and the new Castle Church in New Castle, DE. It was noted that the dates and locations are subject to change. When it is your church's turn to host the association, please be sure that you are prepared.

Under New Business, the following people were nominated by the Executive Committee and were elected to the following offices: Moderator, replacing Dr. Allen Hall, Rev. Alan Hines for a three-year term; Assistant moderator, replacing Rev. Sandy Adams, Jr., Dr. Allen Hall for a two-year term; Clerk/Treasurer, replacing Rev. Wayne Hale, Rev. Wayne Hale for a two-year term; Assistant Clerk/Treasurer, replacing Rev. Alan Hines, Rev. Shane Thompson for a two-year

term; General Board Representative for the National Association, replacing Rev. Wayne Hale, Rev. Wayne Hale for a three-year term.

The Executive Committee recommended the following change to the Constitution and By-Laws: "That Article VI – Meetings Section A be amended to read: This District Association shall convene at 9:30 A.M. on the first Saturday of **December** for fellowship and the conducting of such business as deemed necessary. The **December** Business Session will be considered the Annual District Association Meeting in which officers will be elected and committees elected and appointed." This recommendation was received and tabled until the next Association meeting (whether regularly scheduled or called by the moderator).

A standing vote of thanks was given to the New Castle Church and pastor Wayne Hale for hosting this meeting of the Mid-Atlantic District Association.

The worship portion of the meeting was begun with the congregation being led in two songs, Chain Breaker and Amazing Grace My Chains Are Gone. Rev. Shane Thompson then led in prayer. An offering was received which was to be sent to North American Ministries. The speaker, Rev. Brad Ransom from North American Ministries, then spoke on Keys to Practice for Transformation from Acts 1:8-14. He said that The Keys are Commission (verse 8), Unity (verse 14), and Prayer (verse 14).

The meeting was then adjourned with prayer and the blessing was asked on the food. Lunch was then served by the members of the New Castle FWB Church.
Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Wayne Hale, Clerk/Treasurer