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10 EAST COAST QUARTERLY CONFERENCE OF VICTORY ASSOCIATION
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF FLORIDA.

----- TWENTIETH SECOND SESSION -----

MET WITH THE COCOA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH.
COCO A FLORIDA.

PRESIDING OFFICERS

	MOD. REV. WILLIE T. JONES
ASST "	" JAMES CHRISTIAN,
CLERK	G.W. CLOUD
ASST "	LEON JONES.
TREASURER	ROBERT ALLEN.
STATISTICAL CLERK	INGENE KNIGHT

DATE FEB 22 1971 -- 20- 1971

NEXT SESSION TO BE HELD WITH THE SCOTTS BOOR FREE
WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, ON MAY 17TH, 1971
TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

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THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MOD. W.T. JONES. THE BODY AFTER JOINING SINGING
A SONG WAS LED IN PRAYER BY THE REV. W.A. HANSLEY.

MORNING DEVOTION BROUGHT BY REV JAMES FIELDS, (BRO JOE CHRISTIAN BEING ABSENT.)

REV W.A. HANSLEY WAS ASKED TO GIVE A REPORT OF THE STATE WORK (A GREAT REPORT)

AFTER A SESSION IN SONG THE REV JAMES CHRISTIAN BROUGHT THE MORNING MESSAGE.

AFTER THIS SOUL STIRRING MESSAGE WE WERE DISMISSED FOR THE NOON MEAL.

SAT, P.M. 1:30. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ THE BODY BEGAN BUSINESS..

COMMITTEE REPORTS CALLED FOR, AS THEY (COMM. HAD BEEN ASSIGNED EARLIER)

TREASURER GAVE HIS REPORT, SAME ACCEPTED AS READ, SEE REPORT.

THE BODY WAS FAVORED WITH A MESSAGE IN SONG BY THE CHRISTIAN TRIO. (2 SONGS).

BRO JIM CHRISTIAN WAS INTRODUCED FOR THE EVENING DEVOTION.

CHURCH LETTERS WERE READ BY CLERK, AND ACCEPTED AS READ FOR INFORMATION.

A MOTION CARRIED TO SEND \$ 25.00, TO YOUTH CAMP ANNUALLY.

AN OFFERING FROM THE BODY WAS TAKEN AND ADDED TO OTHER GIFT. AMOUNT OF \$26.82/

THE LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT WAS MADE AND ACCEPTED.

THE FOLLOWING WERE APPOINTED TO SERVE ON COMMITTEES,

BUSINESS: BOB ALLEN, JOE LADD, J.J. RIFFE,
PULPIT. HARRY ELLIS, JIM CHRISTIAN, ROBERT HOGAN,
OBITUARY, BETTY BARKER, JUDY FOUNTAIN, NEILIE CRAFT.
APPRECIATION, ERNEST CRAFT, REBA GREER, JIM FOX.

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TEMPERANCE, JOHN GREER, RUSSEL OSBORN, STEVE LONG,
CREDENTIALS, G.W. CLOUD, W.C. COMBS, JIM FIELDS,
PLACEMENT. SHIRLEY HAMM, HOLLEY PHILLIPS. EDNA ELLIS.

----- COMMITTEE REPORTS -----

WE YOUR BUSINESS COMM, RECCOMEND THAT WE SEND TO YOUTH CAMP \$25.00. ANNUALLY, ALSO RECCOMEND A TO ALTERNATE MONTHLY AT EACH CHURCH. IF THE EAU GALLIE CHURCH WISHES, CARRIED BY VOTE OF BODY.

WE YOUR PLACEMENT COMMITTEE, RECCOMEND THE NEXT MEETING BE HELD WITH THE SCOTTSMOOR CHURCH, MAY 15TH 1971. AND THE NEXT OR AUGUST 14 TH, MEETING BE HELD WITH THE FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF EAU GALLIE. APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

WE YOUR APPRECIATION COMMITTEE WISH TO THANK THE COCOA CHURCH FOR THEIR FINE HOSPITALITY AND FINE FOOD THEY HAVE DONE A GREAT JOB AS HOSTS. THANKS, AND ASK THAT THIS BODY GIVE THEM A RISING OR STANDING VOTE OF APPRECIATION. DONE AS ORDERED.

WE YOUR OBITUARY COMMITTEE, ARE HAPPY TO REPORT NO DEATHS IN OUR RANKS SINCE LAST QUA. ADOPTED AS READ.

PULPIT COMMITTEE RECCOMEND. BRO HAROLD WOODS, BRING MORNING DEVOTION, BRO LOB CHASTAIN BRING MORNING MESSAGE, AND JOE CHRISTIAN THE EVENING DEVOTION. ADOPTED AS READ.

THE MID EAST COAST WOMENS AUXILLIARY REPORT AS FOLLOWS

LAST MEETING HELD WITH THE CHURCH IN COCOA ON FEB 6TH, 22 LADIES ATTENDED FOUR CHURCHES REPORTING AND ENTERING INTO A STUDY COURSE OF THE MANUAL. AND A SHORT MESSAGE ON MISSION. OUR THEME FOR THE COMING YEAR IS "LABORING WITH CHRIST." OUR GOAL FOR THE YEAR AND SHIRLEY COMES IS 440.00. AND FOR THE WEST PALM BEACH MISSION IS 840.00. SAME ADOPTED AS REPORTED.

STATISTICAL REPORT, ORDAINED MINISTERS LAST REPORT (6)	THIS	7
LICENSED	0	0
MEMBERSHIP	360	346
CHURCHES	4	4
PARSONAGES,	4	4
WOMANS AUXILIARIES,	47	46
MASTERS MEN.	23	23
SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	415.....	353
DEATHS	0	0
PAID PASTORS,	\$ 4993 00	\$3200: 27
VALUE CHURCH PROPERTY	\$231662: 00	SALE.
ATTENDANCE AT MEETING.	MINISTERS.	7
DEACONS,	5	
DELEGATES.	13.	
VISITORS.	14	
CLERKS,	2	

TOTAL ATT. 41

TREASURERS REPORT BALANCE NOV. 1970. \$89.78 RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED FROM FOUR CHURCHES \$60.00. HOME MISSION BOARD OFFERINGS, \$137.40. YOUTH WORK AND MINISTERS AND DEACONS OFFERINGS, \$20.00 TOTAL RECEIVED \$207.18 BAL \$307.18.

EXPENSES COOPERATIVE PROGRAM TITHES \$6.00. MT. ZION MISSION. \$100.00 TOTAL \$201.18 BALANCE IN TREASURY FEB, 20 71. HOME MISSION ACCOUNT 431:21 YOUTH BOARD, 179:17 MID EAST COAST CONFERENCE, \$9080. TOTAL BAL. \$201.18

ACCEPTED AS MAINT.

Mid-East Coast Quarterly Conference
Treasury Report

Nov 14, 1970 - Feb 20, 1971

Treasury Balance Nov. 14, 1970

89.78

Received & deposited:

Lines from (4) Churches

60.00

Home Mission Board Offerings

137.40

Youth Work - Ministers & laity donations

20.00

Total Received

217.40

\$ 307.18

Expenses

Fre. Will Baptist Cooperative - tithes (Collected) 6.00

Mt. Zion F.W.B. Church - (Home Mission Bd) 1.00.00

Total Expenses

106.00

Treasury Balance Feb. 20, 1971

\$ 201.18

Treasury Breakdown:

Home Mission Board

\$ 31.21

Youth Board

79.17

Mid-East Coast Conference

90.80

Total Treasury Feb 20, 1971

\$ 201.18

THE 23D, SESSION OF THE MID EAST COAST CONFERENCE OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS, OF THE VICTORY ASSOCIATION WAS HELD WITH THE SCOTT'S MOOR FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH ON ABOVE DATE. BODY CALLED TO ORDER BY MOD, REV. W.T. JONES, BODY JOINED IN SINGING THE OLD FAMILIAR HYMN. "TELL ME THE STORY OF JESUS. CON. LED IN PRAYER BY REV RON NEWMAN.

THE REV. HAROLD WOOD WAS CALLED UPON TO LEAD THE EARLY DEVOTION. HE USED AS BASE FOR HIS REMARKS, ST. JOHN 8: 31.

CHURCH LETTERS WERE READ AND DELEGATES SEATED. AS THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE WAS READ AND ACCEPTED BY VOTE OF BODY. CORRESPONDENCE WAS READ AND WAS DIRECTED TO THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION AND FUTHER ACTION BY BODY LATER. BRO. ROBERT ALLEN MADE THE TREASURERS REPORT AND IT WAS ACCEPTED BY BODY AS MADE.

BRO BOB CHASTAIN WAS INTRODUCED AS MESSENGER FOR THE MORNING MESSAGE, SCRIP. LUKE 2: 42. CONGREGATION DISMISSED BY PRAYER FOR THE NOON MEAL AND FELLOWSHIP

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS PREVIOUSLY MADE BY CREDENTIALS COMM. PASSED OUT ON DISMISSAL.

COMMITTEES ARE AS FOLLOWS.

BUSINESS " W.C. COMBS, JUDY FOUNTAIN. RAY COOK.
PULPIT " ROBERT ALLEN, NORMA COMBS., ROCKY WELLS.
PLACEMENT, " J.J. RIFFE, PEGGY HALEY, R.E. BARKER.
OBITUARY " JENNIE JOHNSON, JIMMIE FOX, DEBRA BEVAN.
APPRECIATION. BETTY BARKER, MAUD WELLS, JOYCE OSBORN.
TEMPERANCE " DELBERT MULLINS, RAY WELLS, JIM FIELDS,
CREDENTIALS " G.W. CLOUD, C.H. ALLEN, JAMES FIELDS.

SATURDAY EVENING 1:15.

BODY CALLED TO ORDER BY MOD. CONGREGATION SINGING STANDING ON THE PROMISES, LED IN PRAYER BY BRO DEWEY NORTH. IN ABSENCE OF REV JOE CHRISTIAN, REV RON NEWMAN WAS ASKED TO BRING THE EVENING DEVOTION. USING ST. JOHN 14: 5: BODY FAVORED AT THIS TIME BY TWO NUMBERS BY THE CHRISTBTRIO. IN SONG.

PETITIONARY LETTER PRESENTED AT HIS TIME FROM THE NEXT F.W.B. CHURCH (ZION) OF VERO BEACH FLA. BY VOTE OF BODY SAME WAS ACCEPTED IN THE MID EAST CON.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AS FOLLOWS.

CREDENTIALS . WE YOUR COMMITTEE HAVE EXAMINED THE LETTERS FROM THE FOUR CHURCHES AND FIND THEM IN ORDER, AND RECOMMEND THE BATING OF THEIR NAMED DELEGATES. TOGETHER WITH ADDED INFORMATION. SAME WAS ADOPTED AS RECOMMENDED. G.W.CLOUD, JAMES FIELDS, W.C. COMBS. APPRECIATION, WE THE APPRECIATION WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WISH AND THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE SCOTT'S MOOR CHURCH (F.W.B.) FOR THEIR HOSPITALITY, AND THE DELICIOUS FOOD HERE TODAY AT THIS CONFERENCE, MAY 15TH. 71. BY COMM. JOYCE OSBORNE, MAUD WELLS, TEMPERANCE . WE THE TEMPERANCE COMM. RECOMMEND THAT EACH PASTOR, DEACON, LIC. AND ORD. MINISTER, AND LAY MEMBER. OF THE CON. RETURN TO THEIR CHURCHES, AND INITATE A PROGRAM OF STUDY AND PRACTISE, OF THE F.W.B. COVENANT? . FURTHER RECOMMEND THAT GOD'S PEOPLE, LIVE THEIR LIVES ACCORDINGLY. THAT THE LOST AND DYING WORLD MAY SEE JESUS IN US, SIGNED BY COMM. DELBERT MULLINS, RAY WELLS. JAMES FIELDS.

PULPIT . WE THE PULPIT COMM. RECOMMEND THAT RAY WELLS BRING THE MORNING DEVOTION, AND REV RON NEWMAN BRING THE MORNING MESSAGE, AND THAT BRO. RUSSEL OSBORNE BRING THE .P.M. DEVOTION, SIGNED BY COMM, ROBERT ALLEN, ROCKY WELLS, NORMA COMBS, PLACEMENT , WE RECOMMEND THAT THE CON SESSION BE HELD WITH THE FIRST F.W.B. CHURCH OF EAU GALLIE. ON AUG. 14TH 1971. AND THE NOV. MEETING BE HELD WITH THE MT. ZION, F.W.B. CHURCH IN VERO BEACH 11-20-71.

SIG. COMM. J.J. RIFFE, LENA, CLOUD. HELEN ALLEN.

OBITUARY, WE OBIT. COMM. REGRET TO REPORT THAT THE FOLLOWING HAVE PASSED ON FROM THE PRESENCE OF LOVED ONES. HOWEVER WE STAND ON THE PROMISE GIVEN IN ROMANS 8: 28: AND WE KNOW ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR GOOD, TO THEM THAT ARE CALLED ACCORDING TO THE WILL OF GOD. XXX DECEASED , WILLIAM COTTRELL OF EAU CALLIE, RAY ALLEN OF SCOTT'S MOOR, GAYLE COMBS, COCOA CHURCH, INFANT JAMES D. FOX, TITUSVILLE CHURCH.

ASSIGNMENT BY GORDY STAND FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER IN MEMORY OF THE LOVED ON. SIGNED BY COMM. JENNIE JOHNSON, DEBRA BEVA, Y,

BUSINESS COMM. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE BODY DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE CHURCH LETTER IN ORDER TO SAVE TIME, AS THE INFO IS CONTAINED IN THE STATISTICAL REPORT. RECOMMEND , THAT AS A CORRECTION IN THE NEXT FINANCIAL REPORT ON LAST PAGE OF CONF, MINUTES, BE MADE BEFORE RELEASE TO CHURCHES, SAME REFERRED TO CLERK FOR CORR.

RECOMMEND THAT ALL CON. SESSION BEGIN AT 9, A.M. HAVE LUNCH WHEN BUSI, FINISHED,

THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT WAS DISCUSSED AND BY ACTION OF BODY WAS ACCEPTED,

THE LADIES AUXILLIARY WAS ASKED TO MAKE A REPORT FOR INFORMATION.

AS FOLLOWS, DISTRICT AUXILLIARY MET AT THE SCOTTSMOOR CHURCH, ON

MAY FIRST, 71. DELEGATES FROM ALL FOUR CHURCHES PRESENT TOTAL 18. THE STUDY COURSE WAS ON YOUTH. HELD DISCUSSIONS ON IDEAS BROUGHT FORMORE USE IN THE YOUTH CAMP, VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ETC. OUR NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD WITH TITUSVILLE CHURCH AUG. 5TH. ALSO ELECTED DELEGATE TO STATE WOMENS AUXILLIARY MEETING IN PERRY FLA. JUNE, 5TH. NORMA COMBS

QUARTERLY STATISTICAL REPORT, MAY 15TH. 71.

ORDAINED MINISTRES,	THIS REPORT	LAST REPORT.
"	8	7
LICENSED	2	0
ORDAINED DEA.	17	---
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP.	355	346
NUMBER OF CHURCHES	4	4
" " PARSONAGES,	4	4
WOMANS AUX. MEMBERSHIP	53	46
C, T, S. ENROLLMENT.	149	---
S. S.?	357	353
MASTERS MEN	25	23
DECEASED	1	
MINISTERS IN ATT.	6	
CLERKS	4	
DEACONS	10	
DELEGATES	16	
VISITORS,	36	
TOTAL ATT.	72.	

THIS REPORT LAST REPORT

PAID PASTORS \$3725.00

\$3250.00

VALUE CHURCHES

\$232.362.00

\$231.552.00

SIGNED IMOGENE KNIGHT STATISTICAL CLERK

A REQUEST FROM THE SCOTTSMOOR CHURCH, REGARDING THE ANNUAL CARD AS AN ORD. MINISTER WAS REFERRED TO ORD. COUNCIL, WHO RECOMMENDED THE ISSUANCE, SAME ADOPTED BY BODY.

A REQUEST FROM THE SCOTTSMOOR CHURCH FOR THE ORDINATION OF BRO LESLIE H. HALLUM AS A DEACON WAS ALSO HANDLED BY ORD. COUNCIL WHO RECOMMENDED SAME WHICH WAS DONE.

REQUEST FROM THE CHURCH OF TITUSVILLE FOR THE ORDINATION OF ROY HUNT WAS HANDLED BY THE ORDAINING COUNCIL WHO REPORTED SAME FAVORABLE AND HE TOO WAS ORDAINED. AFTER VOTE OF BODY,

A REQUEST FROM THE EAU GALLIE CHURCH FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A DEACON CERTIFICATE BE TO BRO CONCY J. THOMLEY, AS HE HAD NEVER RECEIVED ONE SINCE HIS ORD. SAME GRANTED BY BODY

THE RESIGNATION OF BRO. WILLIE LEON JONES AS ASST CON. CLERK WAS READ AND BY VOTE OF BODY HE WAS RELEASED OF HIS DUTIES, A LETTER OF WELL WISHES AND HIS CONTINUAL PRAYERS WAS

READ FROM OUR GOOD FRIEND AND BROTHER ARNOLD WOODLIEF.

TREASURERS REPORT WAS READ INTO THE MINUTES AND ACCEPTED AS MADE.

BALANCE FEB. 20. 71. \$201.18 RECEIVED AND DEPOSITED, DUES FROM 4 chur.

\$60.00 YOUTH BOARD COLL. AND RALLISTO CON. \$53.20. HOME MISS. OFF. \$38.70,

TOTAL RECEIPTS, \$201.90. TOTAL \$403.08,,

EXPENSES AS FOLLOWS. F.W.B. COOPERATIVE PLAN. \$202 \$ 6.00 FLA YOUTH BOARD, \$10.00 MEDAL FOR YOUTH TRAINING SERVICE. \$50.12. TOTAL EXPENSE, \$66.12

BALANCE MAY 15TH. 71. \$336.96 BREAK DOWN OF ACCOUNTS AS FOLLOWS MID EAST CONFERENCE, BAL. \$144.80. HOME MISSION ACCT. \$ 167.87. YOUTH BOARD

\$ 24.29 TOTAL TREASURY. \$336.96. SIGNED BOB ALLEN TREASURER.

BRO. RAY WELLS WAS NOMINATED AND ELECTED AS ASST CLERK BY BODY

BRO WELLS MADE A VERBAL REPORT OF THE YOUTH ACTIVITIES. SAME RECEIVED BY VOTE OF BODY.

MINUTES of
MID EAST COAST QUARTERLY CONFERENCE OF
FREEWILL BAPTISTS
of
Florida

Twenty-Fourth Quarterly Session Being Held At
THE FIRST FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
OF
EAU GALLIE, FLA.

August 14, 1971

PRESIDING OFFICERS

Rev. James Christian.....Moderator
G. W. Cloud.....Clerk
Bob Allen.....Treasurer

NEXT SESSIONS TO BE HELD

November 20, 1971 - First Free Will Baptist
Titusville, Florida

February 19, 1972 - Cocoa Free Will Baptist
Cocoa, Florida

(MID EAST COAST MINISTERS (

Robert Chastain.....Scottsmoor, Fla.
James Christian..1305 Montego...Titusville, Fla
W. C. Combs...1715 Calvados Dr..Cocoa, Fla.
James Fields..1948 Jefferson Ave.Melbourne, Fla
Milton Fields.2681 Sadler Lane...Melbourne, Fla
I.R. Malloy..1420 Walter Street..Cocoa, Fla.
Delbert Mullins.....Scottsmoor, Fla
Ronald Newman..1225 Tedrow Road..Lakeland, Fla.
Cecil Rogers.....Melbourne, Fla

GENERAL OFFICERS, BOARDS, & COMMITTEES

OFFICERS FOR 1971-72:

Rev. James Christian.....MODERATOR
Rev. Robert Chastain.....ASST.MODERATOR
Russell Osborne.....CLERK
Joyce Osborne.....ASST. CLERK
Robert Allen.....TREASURER
Norma Combs.....STATISTICAL
CLERK

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

Charles Allen, G. W. Cloud, W. C. Combs,
James Fields, J. J. Riffe

HOME MISSION BOARD:

Robert Allen, Arthur Chaffin, James Christian
James Fountain.

ORDAINING COUNCIL:

C. W. Combs, James Christian, Charles Allen

YOUTH DIRECTORS:

James and Ethel Fox

MID EAST COAST CLERKS:

Debra C. Hallum, P.O. Box 234, Scottsmoor, Fla
L.H. Hallum, P. O. Box 112, Scottsmoor, Fla.
Jenny Johnson, 1107 Burnham Street, Cocoa, Fla.
Ray Wells, 1064 Oklahoma Street, Melbourne, Fla

MINUTES

The Twenty-Fourth Session of the Mid-East Coast Quarterly Conference of Free Will Baptist Association convened at 10:00 A.M., Saturday, August 14, 1971, at the Eau Gallie Free Will Baptist Church, Melbourne, Florida.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Bro. James Christian. The congregation joined in singing, "There Shall Be Showers Of Blessing," led by Bro. Russell Osborne.

Prayer was led by Bro. Robert Chastain. In the absence of Bro. Ray Wells, Bro. Jimmy Simmons of Titusville, brought an enlightening morning devotion.

Bro. James Christian declared the session open for business.

The Credentials Committee reported that all church letters had been received and were in order. A motion was also made and carried to receive and seat the delegates.

Committees were then announced with correcting changes, to carry out the day's business.

A proposal was made to change the time of our meetings from 10:00 AM to 9:00 AM as the starting time. After discussion, and motion made, the item was defeated by majority body vote, and the time was left remaining at 10:00 AM as the starting time. It was also stated that a break would be made for lunch and the usual devotion and afternoon business session thereafter.

A motion was made and carried that the morning session of business be concluded.

In the absence of Bro. Ron Newman, Bro. James Christian brought the morning message. Using Hebrews 10:23-26, Bro. Christian presented a most inspiring and spirit-filled message, after which an altar call was made and several people came forward for self-re-dedication and greater service to the Lord.

Bro. James Fields led in closing prayer and the blessing on the food. The body then dismissed for lunch. The afternoon session began at 1 PM.

After the song, "At Calvary", Bro. Thomley, led in prayer. Bro. Osborne followed with the afternoon devotion about minding the Lord and doing His will.

Committee reports were given and each one was accepted and passed. (See reports)

The Election of new officers was then brought to the floor. The results were as follows:

Moderator.....	Rev. James Christian
Asst. Moderator....	Rev. Robert Chastain
Clerk.....	Russell Osborne
Asst. Clerk.....	Joyce Osborne
Statistical Clerk..	Norma Combs
Youth Directors....	James & Ethel Fox

Elected for the Credentials Committee, for the next session, November 20, 1971, were Bro. Steve Long, And Bro. and Sis. Osborne of the Cocoa Free Will Baptist Church.

A motion was made and carried that the clerk be responsible for sending notice to each church two weeks prior to each conference the date and place of that session. (This is to be done before each session of conference).

Delegates were elected to the Victory Assoc. as follows: Judy Fountain and Norma Combs. (The Moderator to name others at later date).

The afternoon session adjourned after closing prayer by Bro. Paul Francisco since there was no other business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE: We, the Appreciation Committee of the Mid-East Coast Quarterly Conference wish to thank the Eau-Gallie Free Will Baptist Church for their warm hospitality and delicious food that was prepared. We request that this body all stand to show our appreciation of all we have received.

Signed: C.J. Thomley
Helen Allen
Lillie Brown

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE: We, the Credentials Committee submit the following report, having found all four churches represented, letters in order, recommend that all delegates be seated and that the letters be accepted as received for the information contained therein.

Signed: G. W. Cloud
James Fields

HOME MISSION REPORT:

A motion was made and carried that the Home Mission Board meet before the next session of Conference and report back with their recommendations of future activity and fill the vacancies on the board. No other report was given by them at this time.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE: We, the Temperance Committee, do recommend that the previous temperance committee recommendation of a further study of the Free Will Baptist Covenant be continued. We, further recommend that all church officers and lay members practice temperance in all things as defined

in the scriptures, "let your light () shine that the world may look upon your good works and glorify God."

Signed: Robert Chastain
Leslie D. Hallum
James D. Fox

BUSINESS COMMITTEE:

We, the Business Committee recommend the following:

1. That the letter of recommendation requested by Bro. Willie T. Jones be granted.
2. That, in as much as we have no report from Vero Beach today, we contact them via the clerk, and in the event they cannot host the next session of Conference, the Executive Board shall make necessary arrangements.
3. That the minutes of the conference be printed in booklet form of sufficient number for one per family at least.
4. That our quarterly dues be \$25.00 per quarter.
5. That the current constitution and by-laws be inserted into the printing of the minutes and thereafter anytime there is a revision of the same.

Signed: W. C. Combs
Bob Allen
Steve Long

OBITUARY COMMITTEE: We, the members of the Obituary Committee are happy to report there have been no deaths during the past quarter. We thank the Lord for His preservation and safe keeping, of all of us, and pray that His

hand of mercy might be upon us until we meet again.

Signed: Joyce Osborne
Myrtle Greene
Frank Brown

PULPIT COMMITTEE: We, the Pulpit Committee recommend the following:

Bro. James Fields for the Morning Devotion
Bro. Dewey North as the Alternate

Bro. Corbett for the Morning Message.
Bro. C. W. Combs for the Alternate.

Bro. Paul Francisco for the Afternoon Devotion
Bro. C. J. Thomley for the Alternate.

Signed: J. J. Riffe

PLACEMENT

Norma Combs
Paul Francisco

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE: We, the Placement Committee recommend that the next Quarterly Conference session be held at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Titusville, November 19, and 20, 1971, and that the following session be held at the Cocoa Free Will Baptist Church February 18, and 19, 1972.

Signed: Jack Allen
Johnnie Long
Ron Mace

(This report was accepted with the stipulation that if the Vero Church could have and wanted to have Conference for November, it was to be so ordered.)

MID EAST COAST WOMEN'S AUXILIARY REPORT

The Mid-East Coast District Women's Auxiliary met August 7, 1971, at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Titusville, Florida. There were approximately 25 members in attendance.

The guest speaker for the day was Sister Nancy Cook, of West Palm Beach, Florida, who spoke to the ladies on use of our "Time, Talents, Tithes and Tongues:" (A very inspiring message.)

The Auxiliary voted to give \$25.00 to Camp Alafia to help with expenses of the summer youth camp.

A collection was taken for our speaker to meet expense in the amount of \$23.14. She in turn ask that it be given to the West Palm Beach Mission Fund.

We would like to urge all churches to remember the West Palm Beach Funds and the Mission in prayer. Their account is in the "red" and we feel sure this is discouraging to them.

Auxiliary

TREASURER'S REPORT: May - June - July

Balance on Hand	17.18
Cash Received	<u>223.53</u>
Total.....	\$240.71

Expenses:	
State Fee	36.00
District Project	50.00
Designated Missions	54.99
Total Paid Out.....	<u>\$140.99-</u>

Treasury Balance.....\$ 99.72

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE REPORT:

	<u>This Report</u>	<u>Last Report</u>
Ministers	4	6
Deacons	4	10
Delegates	13	16
Visitors	12	36
Clerks	1	4

(This report included in Statistical Report MSC.)

FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>PAID OUT</u>	<u>EAU GALLIE</u>	<u>COCOA</u>	<u>TITUSVILLE</u>	<u>SCOTTSMOOR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Pastors Salary	190.50	1854.24	150.00	900.00	3094.74
Evang. Work	545.45	_____	155.00	70.00	770.45
Building & Repairs	1914.69	1061.29	588.85	31.40	3596.23
Literature	272.67	76.71	227.40	87.25	664.03
Co-Op Plan	300.30	251.61	389.09	_____	941.00
Foreign Missions	5.00	135.11	_____	22.46	162.57
Home Missions	_____	2.54	45.00	44.93	92.47
Children's Home	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Bible College	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Youth Camp	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Scholarship Fund	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other	63.00	512.56	206.00	681.01	1462.57
TOTALS:	\$3,291.61	\$3,894.06	\$1,761.34	\$1,837.05	\$10,784.06

ATTENDEES

MINISTERS:

CHURCH

James L. Christian.....	Titusville
Robert Chastain.....	Scottsmeer
W. C. Combs.....	Cocoa
James Fields.....	Eau Gallie

DEACONS:

Paul G. Francisco.....	Eau Gallie
Leslie H. Hallum.....	Scottsmeer
J. J. Riffe.....	Scottsmeer
C. Thomley.....	Eau Gallie

DELEGATES:

Helen Allen (Alternate).....	Scottsmeer
Jack E. Allen.....	Scottsmeer
Robert H. Allen.....	Scottsmeer
Frank Brown.....	Eau Gallie
Lillie Brown.....	Eau Gallie
Norma Combs.....	Cocoa
James D. Fox.....	Titusville
Myrtle Greene (Alternate).....	Scottsmeer
Mrs. Johnnie Long.....	Cocoa
Steve Long.....	Cocoa
Ronald C. Mace.....	Titusville
Joyce Osborne.....	Cocoa
James A. Simmons.....	Titusville

VISITORS:

Greg Combs.....	Cocoa
Mark Combs.....	Cocoa
Robbie Combs.....	Cocoa
Scotty Combs.....	Cocoa
Ethel Fox.....	Titusville
Mary Holland.....	Cocoa
Judy Mace.....	Titusville
Rodney Osborne.....	Cocoa
Russell Osborne.....	Cocoa
Mike Peterson.....	Eau Gallie
Sarah Riffe.....	Scottsmeer
Richard Wells.....	Eau Gallie

<u>STATISTICAL REPORT</u>	<u>LAST REPORT</u>	<u>THIS REPORT</u>
Ordained Ministers	8	7
Licensed Ministers	0	0
Ordained Deacons	17	20
Membership (Church)	355	339
Churches	4	4
Parsonages	4	4
Women's Auxiliary		
Membership	53	37
Master's Mens Membership	25	23
CTS Membership	149	114
Sunday School Membership	357	351
Deaths	1	0
Paid Pastors	\$3725.00	\$3094.74
Value of Church		
Property	\$232,362.00	\$237,362.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

May 15, 1971 - August 14, 1971

Treasury Balance.....May 15, 1971.....336.96

Received & Deposited:

 Dues from (4) Churches 60.00

 Home Mission Board Off. 77.54

 Total Receipts.....137.54

 Balance.....474.50

Expenses:

 W. T. Jones (Stencil & Paper
 for minutes) 3.38

 Milton Fields (Camp Alafia)
 25.00

 Total Expenses.....28.38-

Treasury Balance August 14, 1971....\$446.12

Breakdown of Treasury:

 Mid-East Coast Conference 176.42

 M. E. C. Youth Board 24.29

 M. E. C. Home Mission Board 245.41

 Total Funds.....\$446.12

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS OF THE MID-EAST COAST CONFERENCE OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

Article I

Name: This conference shall be called the Mid-East Coast Conference of Free Will Baptist of Florida, and shall be composed of such consistent as well regulated Free Will Baptist Churches as shall unite in this compact and agree to this constitution.

Article II

Purpose: The purpose of this conference shall be to unify the work of various churches and to promote harmony of feeling and concert of action in adopting and carrying into operation such measures as may promote the Lord's work in and through the conference meetings to the regions beyond.

Article III

Section 1. The conference shall be composed of the standing and elected delegates from the churches of this conference. Section 2. The standing delegates shall be the ordained and licensed ministers, deacons, church clerks, members of the executive board, and the clerk of this conference. Section 3. Membership from different churches representing in the conference: Each church organization is entitled to (2) two members plus (1) one delegate for each twenty-five (25) members of church membership or fraction thereof, no church shall be allowed more than (6) six elected delegates. These members to be received by vote of the standing body of conference, together with their letter.

Article IV

Section 1. The officers of this conference shall consist of a Moderator, Assistant, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, all of whom shall perform such duties as usually devolve upon such officers. These offices shall be elected annually. Section 2. The Executive Board shall consist of (7) seven members. The Moderator and Clerk shall be standing members of

this Board with (5) members to be elected, who's terms of office shall be as follows: One (1) Year, One (2) Year, One (3) Year, One (4) Year, One (5) Year. The Moderator shall be chairman of this Board. No member shall be absent from (3) three consecutive meetings unless a justifiable reason is given without being automatically dis-qualified as a member of the Board. Section 3. This conference shall have the power to elect such councils and boards as are deemed necessary. Section 4. These Officers shall be men of good repute and active in both their local church and their quarterly conference.

Article V

Authority: This conference shall have no authority over the churches of which it is composed; but shall act as an advisory body to the local church and shall have the power to withdraw fellowship from any church that becomes unsound in doctrine or corrupt in practice: provided the conference has dealt with the church according to the National Treatise of Free Will Baptist.

Article VI

Quorum: Four (4) or more ministers, and/or deacons from two (2) or more churches shall constitute a quorum to transact business at any regular session of this conference.

Article VII

Meetings: This conference shall convene at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, before the third Sunday in November, February, May, & August, at which time the member churches shall report the previous quarter's work.

Article VIII

Qualifications of Candidates for Licensing and Ordination: The Ordaining Council shall consist of three (3), two (2) ordained ministers and one (1) ordained deacon, shall serve as a committee for the conference to examine candidates for licensing or ordination to the ministry. The following standards shall be followed: (1.) The candidate must furnish good

evidence of a divine call to the ministry.
2. Licensed ministers shall be required to carry license for one (1) year and shall be required to submit in writing a report of their ministry to the local church of which they are a member. This report to be annual. They must preach twelve (12) or more sermons per year. Said report to accompany the letter requesting the renewal of the license. Failure to comply applicant will not be issued a card for next year.

Article IX

Ministers coming from other Denominations: Shall be examined in the same manner as any new minister. Any Free Will Baptist minister coming from other Association must conform to Article Eight 8 and appear for examination before the Ordaining Council. He must be recommended by a Free Will Baptist Church of which he is a member and shall be received into this body by a majority vote of the members voting.

Article X

Qualifications of a Deacon: All persons requesting to become a Deacon by any local church, must serve six (6) months on trial basis before being ordained. He shall give evidence of possessing the qualifications according to the Word of God.

Article XI

Amendments: This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds ($2/3$) majority vote of any regular session of this conference, notice having been given at the next previous meeting.

BY-LAWS

All sessions shall be opened by singing, reading a portion of God's Word and Prayer. The session shall be closed in prayer. All business, except routine, shall be brought before the body by committees, but should any committee refuse to present to this body any business given to it by any member, then

such business may be presented from the floor, but cannot be discussed unless by a vote of the body.

The Moderator, or in his absence, the Assistant shall preside over all sessions and shall limit all discussions according to By-Law #4. He shall call to order any and all persons who do not respect the constitution of this conference meeting, and shall have power to stop all discussions when they are not carried on in the spirit of Christ and are leading to confusion in the conference.

Discussion shall be limited to five (5) minutes and no person shall be allowed to speak more than twice on any subject without special permission from the Moderator.

No one shall leave the conference without the consent of the Moderator.

Anyone desiring to speak, shall arise and say, "Brother Moderator", and shall speak no further until they are recognized by the Moderator.

All ministers, licenced and ordained, members of this conference, shall report to the conference in person and by letter, except in emergencies explained by letter, representing said ministers.

All officers of the conference shall be nominated from the floor and elected by a majority vote of the body.

All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator, but any appointment may be changed by a majority vote of the body.

Each church in the conference shall require its pastor to be a member of some church in good standing and full fellowship in the MEC Conference and said pastor shall hold a certificate of Ministerial standing issued by the Victory Association Yearly Meeting of which this conference is a member.

These By-Laws may be ammended or altered by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) majority vote of any regular session of the conference meeting.

Home Mission Board By-Laws

1. That one member from each church make up this board, and as other churches come into the conference they will add one member to the board.
2. Any Board member who is absent from two meetings in succession, without permission of this board, his chair be declared vacant, and the church he represents be asked to supply an active member.
3. Any motions, suggestions, ideas, etc., that require action by this Board be submitted in writing to the Board by at least one month prior to the desired action.
4. This Board operate within the jurisdiction of the Mid-East Coast Conference.
5. The Board present to each church in conference the programming of money to be spent at least one month prior to the conference day.
6. The Board go to each church to present a program to finance the H.M. Board, and the amount that is to be agreed upon be paid to the Home Mission Board.
7. The Board be granted authority to arrange with participating churches for a scheduled preaching service for our licensed and ordained preachers, in good standing with this conference. That we try to encourage said preachers to participate and become active preachers.