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J. L. Welch, 1604 10th Avenue, North,  
Nashville  
Jerry W. Williams, 1905 Dickerson  
Road, Nashville  
H. E. Willis, 1200 Davidson Road,  
Nashville  
J. Reford Wilson, 3801 Richland Avenue,  
Nashville  
Paul Woolsey, Route 6, Greeneville  
Edward J. Young, 138 Polk Street, Erwin

**TEXAS**  
H. Ray Berry, 205 Damon, San Antonio  
Clyde Cain, 501 Russell, Henderson  
Lionel Cooksey, 415 39th Street,  
Lubbock  
H. Z. Cox, 3322 Michigan, Dallas  
Don Ellis, 1510 Burt, Bryan  
A. F. Ferguson, 4718 Bryan Road,  
Odessa  
Alvin F. Halbrook, Route 3, Box 250,  
Bryan  
Leslie W. Rowe, Jr., 1220 W.  
Montgomery, Midland

E. H. Fielding, 3305 Sawens, Irving  
Everett D. Hellard, 322 Ishmeal Street,  
Houston  
A. L. Fierce, 5267 Tetons Drive,  
El Paso  
Billy Sharpston, Route 1, Box 123,  
Laneville  
C. B. Thompson, Iola  
F. B. Welch, 9701 LaCamp Street, Dallas  
E. E. Zoellers, 608 Sandel, Ft. Worth

#### VIRGINIA

J. B. Chism, Jr., 618 Lafayette Terrace,  
Newport News  
Earl Cole, Jewell Valley  
Ralph F. Osborne, 1616 Lansing Avenue,  
Portsmouth  
Raymond Riggs, 4624 Larkin Street,  
Norfolk  
Ralph Staten, 3301 Verdun Avenue,  
Norfolk

### DELEGATES WHO REGISTERED

#### ALABAMA

State: Louie Bates, Foster Holcomb, E.  
B. Ledlow, R. P. Ritch  
Local churches: J. O. Drummonds,  
Linda Kelly, K. V. Shutes, C. O.  
Hollingshead, Charlie Jones

#### ALASKA

State: D. L. Whaley  
Local churches: Zalene Breeden

#### ARKANSAS

State: Mrs. C. E. Campbell, Mrs.  
Willard C. Day, W. G. Henry, Mrs.  
Ben Scott, Pauline Starr  
Local churches: Virgil Odglen, Bob  
Buchanan

#### CALIFORNIA

State: Imogene Farris, Virginia Lawless,  
Rosalie A. Lee, Ruth Morris, Mrs.  
Gene Rogers  
Local churches: Evelyn Smith, Charles  
Harris

#### COLORADO

Local churches: Robert J. Stepp

#### FLORIDA

State: Mrs. Bertie Baxter, G. W. Cloud,  
Donald Dingman, Freda Owen, Mrs.  
Ann Travis  
Local churches: Maurice A. Benzing,  
T. C. Mitchell, Miss Faye Peacock,  
W. L. Collins

#### GEORGIA

State: Mrs. B. W. Clenney, Mrs. Effie  
Kimbrel, G. C. King, J. B. Mercer,  
Mrs. E. C. Morris, Mrs. J. B. Rice

Henry VanKluyve, 121 Shannon Road,  
Portsmouth  
W. E. Vicars, 4516 Orbank Road, Fort  
Blackmore  
Kenneth M. Walker, 515 N. Nelson  
Street, Arlington

#### WASHINGTON

Joe T. Hurst, 137 North James, East  
Wenatchee

#### WEST VIRGINIA

W. F. Chapman, Route 2, Box 314 B,  
Charleston  
W. C. Combs, Crab Orchard  
Donald Ellis, Hanover  
John M. Henson, Box 131, Hurricane  
James M. Herrald, Route 2, Spencer  
J. H. Richard, 5824 Provide Road,  
Huntington  
Carl Vallance, 524 Buffington Street,  
Huntington

Local churches: Mrs. Maurine Lee,  
Alvin Day, B. Houston, Mrs. L. E.  
Sheffield, Mrs. J. R. Davidson,  
Frances Truluck

#### ILLINOIS

State: Roberta Bain, Ellamae Hiltibidal,  
Jane Norris, Pat Shores  
Local churches: Theodore Parks, Bertis  
A. Maynard, Cline Roberts,  
Dempsey Tucker

#### INDIANA

State: A. J. Looper  
Local churches: Jobey L. Ledbetter,  
Lonnie Phillips, Bobby R. Whitaker

#### KANSAS

State: Charley Price, Helen S.  
McAllister, Lois M. Teague,  
Mrs. Elva Turnbough  
Local Churches: Orville Farr

#### KENTUCKY

State: Mrs. E. O. Griffith, G. E. Ratliff  
Local churches: Clarence Crisp

#### MICHIGAN

State: Emmit F. Gallagher, Grace  
Gallagher, Thelma Lewis, Thelma  
Vick  
Local churches: Darrell Fulton, Susie  
Felts, Willie T. Whiteaker, Lester  
Smith

#### MISSISSIPPI

State: Mrs. L. E. Duncan, Mrs. Gordon  
Hart, Eva House  
Local churches: Eloise Crossley, Madgie  
Robinson, L. E. Duncan



## MISSOURI

State: Robert Hesselmyer, Jeff McCulley, H. E. Mukel, Bruce Presley  
Local churches: Hilbard Gray, Mrs. James Raper, Mrs. Jeff McCulley, Edwin Wade, Anna Mae McFarland, Lola Long, Maxine Bostic

## NEW MEXICO

State: S. M. Aragon

## NORTH CAROLINA

State: Robert Fleming, L. V. Williford  
Local churches: W. E. Rolison, Mrs. Carl Johnson, Mrs. Robert L. Edwards, Ralph O. Lowrimore, Mrs. Elizabeth Sparks, H. M. Stegall, Mrs. Robert Fleming, Edwin L. Hill, Mrs. Billy Allen, Mrs. Ruth Floyd, Mrs. Anner M. Spain, Gene Harrell, Mrs. Eleanor Cutler, Jimmy Dail, Mrs. J. A. Branch, James T. Denton, Ronald Williamson, John R. Griffith, Willa Bullard, N. C. Perry, Judith Lynn Campbell, Owen Thomas

## OHIO

State: Violet Green, Richard Howard,  
Local churches: Allie Jay Dooley, Evelyn Williams

## OKLAHOMA

State: Don Allen, Mrs. Roy Bingham, Mrs. H. E. Staires, Barbara Thompson  
Local churches: Jean Condit, Tish Watkins, Betty Halliburton, Mrs. Bob Ketchum, J. Ray Martin, Jack Richey, Wilma Cox, W. A. DeHart, Donald Cook, Billye Gwartney, Mrs. J. R. Shade, Orelu M. Kennedy, Bill Barber, Bessie D. West, Mrs. Katie Shade

## SOUTH CAROLINA

State: Mrs. Thomas Brown, Connie

Lawter, Mrs. Jack Millwood, Clarence Richburg, Mrs. Julius Vause  
Local churches: Wesley McLain

## TENNESSEE

State: Harold Critcher, I. L. Stanley, R. E. Felts, Fannie Polston, J. B. Stack, Mrs. I. L. Stanley, Ray C. Turnage  
Local churches: Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Mrs. J. E. Simpson, Mrs. William Wilson, Mrs. Winston Sweeney, Paula Dollar, Mrs. Eula Read, Stanley Crutcher, Alice Woolsey, Mrs. Irene Staggs, Glenn Vann, Mrs. Harley Brown, Smith Crockarell, Louis Hart, Albert M. Jones

## TEXAS

State: Mrs. Clyde Cain, Mrs. H. Z. Cox, Ana I. Hellard, Mrs. Leslie Rowe, Pervis Williams, Mrs. E. E. Zoellers  
Local churches: H. B. Harper, Mrs. Gilberta Cotter, Mrs. Leeman King

## VIRGINIA

State: M. E. Howard, Mrs. Earl Austin, Mrs. Ray Bondeson, Mrs. J. B. Chism, Mrs. Raymond Riggs  
Local churches: Stuart H. Wever, Sr., Wayne Temple, W. Delton Rayburn, Mrs. M. E. Howard

## WASHINGTON

Local churches: Mrs. Joe Hurst

## WASHINGTON, D.C.

Local churches: Ray Bondeson

## WEST VIRGINIA

State: Mrs. Norma Combs, Mabel Richmond, Geneva S. Chapman, LaVerne Vallance  
Local churches: Mrs. Zena Mays

## MISSIONARIES WHO REGISTERED

Mrs. Daniel R. Cronk, India  
Daniel R. Cronk, India  
Dave Franks, Brazil  
Benito Rodriguez, Miami, Florida  
Lonnie Sparks, Africa  
Bessie Yeley, Miami, Florida  
Thomas H. Willey, Sr., Miami, Florida

# PROCEEDINGS

## Tuesday Evening, July 10

The twenty-sixth session of the National Association of Free Will Baptists opened with congregational singing under the direction of Mr. I. L. Stanley, with Mrs. Raymond Riggs at the organ and Rev. Herman Hersey at the piano. Rev. Rufus Coffey presided, leading the congregation in the oral Scripture reading of Hebrews 4:12 as printed in the program. The opening prayer was led by Rev. Jack Paramore.

After congregational singing of "Showers of Blessing," "Stepping in the Light," and "Blessed Assurance," the choir of Free Will Baptist Bible College, under the direction of Mr. Don Clark, sang "What A Savior."

The association was called to order, and its officers introduced, by Mr. Robert Picirilli, clerk, after which the Moderator, Rev. Ralph Staten, brought a brief address based on John 4:39-54.

The association was welcomed to Tennessee by Rev. Bob Hill, moderator of the Tennessee State Association of Free Will Baptists, and to Nashville by a representative from the Mayor's office. After further singing by the congregation, Mr. Stanley called for recognition of groups attending the association from the several states, and an offering for the expenses of the association was received.

Rev. Malcolm Fry sang "O How I Love Him," and the keynote address was brought by Rev. Billy Melvin, Executive Secretary of the Association, based on John 17:17b, with the subject: "God's Word—Our Rule of Faith and Practice." This was followed by a season of prayer and the report of the committee on committees, which was adopted by the association.

The dismissal prayer was led by Rev. Coffey.

## Wednesday Morning, July 11

The meeting opened with Rev. Lonnie Davoult presiding, and with congregational singing and prayer led by Rev. Malcolm Fry. After the singing of the hymn "I Serve a Risen Savior" and some choruses, the Free Will Baptist Bible College men's quartet sang "A New Name In Glory," and the devotional thoughts were brought by Rev. Harrold Harrison.

The moderator opened the business part of the meeting with introductory reminder of the basic principles of parliamentary procedure.

The report of the credentials committee was presented by Rev. E. E. Morris, chairman (See reports). MSC that part I of the report be adopted, and the moderator ruled that part II would be considered item by item. MSC to receive the North-eastern Association of Free Will Baptists into membership. MSC to receive the Kansas State Association of Free Will Baptists into membership. MS to postpone consideration of the First Mexican Association of Free Will Baptists until after the report of the General Board relative to constitutional revision. MSC to amend by substituting "that we receive the First Mexican Association into the watchcare and fellowship of the National Association until the time when it can be received into full membership of the Association by constitutional revision. Motion carried after substitution. MS to receive the North Carolina State Association of Free Will Baptists into membership. MSC previous question. Original motion carried. MSC to receive the individual churches listed in the credentials committee report into membership (the Fairbanks, Alaska, church; First church of Buhl, Idaho; First church of Denver, Colorado; Riverview church of Bettendorf, Iowa; First church of Vancouver, Washington).

After the singing of choruses and the recognition of visitors from other bodies (Editor Runyon of the *General Baptist Messenger* and members of several unaffiliated Free Will Baptist churches), intermission before the worship service was declared.

The morning worship service opened with singing led by Mr. Fry and prayer led by Rev. H. Ray Berry. After a solo by Rev. Everette Hellard, "His Eye is on the



Sparrow," and the offering, the service was placed in the charge of Dr. L. C. Johnson, president of Free Will Baptist College. The College choir sang "God of Our Fathers," and the new Free Will Baptist Bible College filmstrip was shown. Dr. Johnson concluded the program with recognition of contributions on the "Anniversary Year Campaign" and with indication of plans for the future of the Bible College.

### Wednesday Afternoon, July 11

This meeting opened with Rev. Lonnie Davoult presiding and with congregational singing led by Rev. Malcolm Fry. After prayer led by the clerk, a solo, "Christ Is All," was sung by Rev. Bill Gardner; and the devotional was brought by Rev. Mance Cason on Ephesians 5:17.

Moderator Staten called for the business of the association, with the first item being the adoption of the printed program as a flexible guide for the business and proceedings of the association.

The proposed revision of the Constitution and By-Laws of the National Association was read. MSC that the proposed revision be laid on the table.

The report of the General Board (See reports) was read. MSC to adopt.

A report from the National Association of Evangelicals was given by Dr. George Ford.

The report of the Executive Secretary was given by Rev. Billy Melvin. MSC to receive the report and adopt the proposed budget.

A report from the American Bible Society was given by missionary Lonnie Sparks.

A partial report from the nominating committee was presented by Chairman Robert Shockey. Other members of the committee were O. T. Dixon, S. M. Aragon, Lonnie Davoult, and H. L. Knighton. MSC to receive the report and consider item by item.

The committee's nominations for the Free Will Baptist Bible College Board of Trustees were Rev. Randy Cox, Rev. H. D. Harrison, and Rev. Paul Inbody for the vacant full terms of office; Rev. J. R. Davidson for Rev. Floyd Cherry's unexpired term; and Rev. Carrol Alexander for Rev. Paul Kettelman's unexpired term. MSC that nominations cease and these be elected.

The committee's nominations for the Foreign Missions Board were Rev. Lonnie Davoult for the vacant full term of office and Rev. Rolla Smith for the unexpired term of Rev. Reford Wilson. MSC that nominations cease and these be elected.

The committee's nominations for the Home Missions Board were Rev. Robert Shockey for the vacant full term of office and Rev. Gordon Sebastian for Rev. Fred Rivenbark's unexpired term. Rev. Harry Staires was nominated from the floor for the full term of office. MSC that nominations cease, and Mr. Shockey was elected. MSC that nominations cease on the partial term and that Mr. Sebastian be elected.

The committee's other nominees, Mr. G. E. Ratliff for a full term on the Superannuation Board, Rev. Gerald Chester for a full term on the League Board, and Mr. G. W. Hunt for a full term on the Board of Trustees of the Headquarters Building, were elected by subsequent motions.

The association was dismissed in prayer by Rev. Lonnie Davoult.

### Wednesday Evening, July 11

This service opened with congregational singing under the leadership of Rev. Eugene Waddell. After singing "Showers of Blessing," "Send the Light," and "Bringing in the Sheaves," Rev. Homer Willis, presiding, called on Rev. Rashie Kennedy to lead in the opening prayer.

The annual report of the Foreign Missions Board was presented by Rev. Reford Wilson, and an offering for the National Association was received by Rev. Billy Melvin. The devotional thoughts were then presented by Rev. Dan Cronk, missionary on furlough from India.

Following this, Rev. Homer Willis introduced the members of the Home Missions

Board and home missionaries at the association; Rev. Jerry Ballard introduced the Foreign Missions Board members, personnel, missionaries in attendance, and new appointees to foreign fields; Rev. Thomas Willey, Sr., led in prayer. The congregation then sang "Rescue the Perishing," and the Free Will Baptist Bible College choir sang "Wherever He Leads I'll Go."

The message of the evening was brought by Rev. W. Stanley Mooneyham, the assistant moderator of the association and editor of *Action* magazine. It was followed by a consecration service and a missions offering amounting to more than \$3,000. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Jerry Ballard.

### Thursday Morning, July 12

This meeting opened with Rev. O. T. Dixon presiding, and with congregational singing under the leadership of Rev. Henry VanKluyve. Prayer was led by Rev. K. V. Shutes, and the devotional thoughts were led by Rev. Winston Lawless. The Free Will Baptist Bible College quartet sang "Then I Met Jesus."

Assistant Moderator W. S. Mooneyham presided over the morning business session, with the first item being the adoption of the Foreign Missions Board report and budget given the preceding evening.

The report of the Sunday School Board was presented by Rev. Roger Reeds. MS to adopt the report with commendation to the Oklahoma State Association of Free Will Baptists for the gift of their literature program to the National Association. MSC to amend by adding: "and with urging to all Free Will Baptist churches to purchase their Sunday School literature from the National Sunday School Board." Motion as amended carried.

The report of the Stewardship Commission was given by Rev. Malcolm Fry. MSC to receive the report.

The report of the Free Will Baptist League Board was given by Mr. Ray Turnage. MS to adopt the report. MSC to amend by adding: "with a standing vote of appreciation to Ray Turnage for his sacrificial service to the department." MSC to amend by adding: "and with urging to all Free Will Baptist churches with leagues to purchase their league literature from the National League Board." Motion as amended carried.

The report of the Home Missions Board was given by Rev. Homer Willis. MSC to adopt the report.

A report from the Chaplain's Commission of the National Association of Evangelicals was given by Mr. Floyd Robertson. MSC to receive as information.

The report of the Laymen's Commission was given and adopted by motion.

Rev. W. S. Mooneyham pronounced the benediction for dismissal until the morning worship service.

The morning service opened with the singing of "He Lives" by the congregation and under the direction of Rev. Henry VanKluyve, with Rev. O. T. Dixon presiding. Mr. Ralph Larrimore sang the solo: "All That Thrills My Soul," and an offering for the expenses of the association was received. Rev. Bill Gardner sang again, by request, "Christ Is All."

The message was brought by Rev. Winford Floyd on Hebrews 4:13 and on the miracle of the draught of fish.

### Thursday Afternoon, July 12

With Rev. Henry VanKluyve leading, the congregation sang "At the Cross," and devotional thoughts and prayer were led by Rev. H. Z. Cox, based on Jonah 1:17.

With Moderator Staten presiding, the report of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention was presented by Mrs. Rufus Coffey, and adopted by motion.

The report of the Superannuation Board was given by Rev. C. A. Huckaby. MSC to adopt the report. MSC that the Board be granted permission to incorporate.

The report of Free Will Baptist College was given by Rev. J. R. Davidson. MSC to adopt the report and budget.



The report of the Budget Committee was given by Rev. Billy Melvin, and adopted by motion.

The report of the Placement Committee was given by Rev. Henry VanKluyve. MSC to receive and adopt item by item. MSC to adopt Items 1 and 2 of the report. MS (Lost) to adopt Item 3 of the report. MSC that those wishing to invite the association to meet in their state in 1964 meet immediately with the Placement Committee.

MSC to take the proposed revision of the Constitution and By-Laws from the table. By ruling of the moderator and general consent, the proposed revision was then considered article by article, with opportunity given for motions to amend on any section. The following motions followed: MS to amend by substitution of the word "delegate" for "messenger" throughout. Previous question was moved and carried on this, and the motion carried. MS to amend Section 2 of Article V of the Constitution by substituting the following for the second sentence of the Section: "Each state affiliated with the National Association shall be represented by one member on the General Board, elected by the annual State Associations prior to the meeting of the National Association." The Previous question was moved and carried, shutting off debate. MSC to amend the motion on the floor by substituting: "to amend Section 2 of Article V of the Constitution by adding the following sentence after sentence two of the Section: "Each state shall be allowed the privilege of recommending its representative to the General Board." Substituted motion carried. MSC to adopt the Constitution as amended.

In considering the adoption of the proposed By-Laws, these motions followed: MS to amend Section 10 by deleting the last sentence. Previous question moved and carried, and motion to delete carried. MSC to delete Section 13 and re-number the remaining sections. MSC to amend Section 29, the second paragraph, by making the opening sentence read: "The Executive Secretary shall in turn present it to the Executive Committee who shall make recommendation to the General Board." MSC to adopt the By-Laws and Standing Rules as amended.

MSC to receive the First Mexican Association into the full membership of the National Association.

Second report of the Placement Committee given. MSC to postpone the decision on the site of the 1964 session of the association until next year.

The report of the resolutions committee was given by Rev. Claude Hampleman. MS to receive the report and adopt item by item. MSC to substitute: "to receive and adopt the report as a whole." MSC to amend the report by adding the following to section 4 of the Resolutions Committee's report: "Be it resolved that this body authorize the Executive Secretary to write a letter of commendation to the one Supreme Court Judge who had the courage to take a stand for the continuation of Bible reading and prayer in public schools."

The report of the Temperance Committee was given by Rev. J. E. Blanton. MSC to adopt.

The final report of the nominating committee was given. After opportunity for further nominations from the floor, there were no such nominations except for the office of moderator, so it was moved and carried that the nominations cease for all officers, except that of the moderator, and that the persons nominated by the committee be elected. These are as follows: General Board representative from Florida, Rev. Elro Driggers; General Board representative from South Carolina, Rev. Jack Millwood; full term on the Commission on Theological Liberalism, Rev. Leroy Forlines, and for Rev. Waddell's unexpired term, Rev. Jack Paramore; full term on the Sunday School Board, Rev. Herman Hersey, and for Rev. Roger Reed's unexpired term, Rev. Staten; Assistant Clerk, Rev. Carlton Lambert; Clerk, Rev. Robert Picirilli; Assistant Moderator, Rev. William Hill (of Michigan); and Executive Secretary, Rev. Billy Melvin.

In addition to the nominating committee's nomination of Rev. W. S. Mooneyham for the office of moderator, Rev. Wayne Smith was nominated from the floor. MSC that nominations cease and election proceed. Rev. W. S. Mooneyham elected. MSC to make the election unanimous.

MSC to give Rev. Ralph Staten a standing vote of thanks for his service as moderator during the past two years.

The floor was opened for nominations for the General Board representative from the First Mexican Association. Rev. Arthur Billows was nominated. MSC that nominations cease and Billows be elected.

Further report from the nominating committee was presented, with nominations for General Board representatives from the Northeastern Association, the Kansas State Association, the Oklahoma State Association, and the California State Association. MSC that the nominations cease and the committee's nominees be elected. These are: Northeastern, Rev. William Ragan; Kansas, Rev. W. T. Turnbough; Oklahoma, Rev. N. R. Smith; and California, Rev. E. E. Morris.

The recommendation of the nominating committee, that the expiring terms of General Board members residing west of the Mississippi be extended one more year in order to put the terms of the revised Constitution into effect next year, was adopted by motion.

MSC to adjourn.

## REPORTS

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

The following individuals will serve on the various committees of this session of the National Association:

*Nominating Committee:* H. L. Knighton, Lonnie Davoult, Joe Aragon, O. T. Dixon, Robert Shockey, chairman.

*Resolutions Committee:* I. L. Stanley, Clarence Campbell, William Atkinson, Billy Hood, Claude Hampleman, chairman.

*Temperance Committee:* Randy Cox, Harrold Harrison, Gordon Sebastian, Delbert Akin, J. E. Blanton, chairman.

*Placement Committee:* Richard Cordell, Everette Hellard, I. J. Blackwelder, Henry VanKluyve, W. Stan Mooneyham, chairman.

Respectfully submitted,  
PAUL INBODY, *Chairman*  
WILLARD DAY  
E. B. LEDLOW  
G. C. KING  
WINSTON LAWLESS

### REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

I. We have examined the letters from the following states and find them to be in order. We recommend their delegates who have officially registered as such be seated: Arizona, Indiana, West Virginia, Tennessee, Alabama, New Mexico, Florida, Kentucky, Ohio, California, Mississippi, Virginia, Oklahoma, Texas, Missouri, Georgia, Arkansas, South Carolina, Washington, Hawaii, Illinois, and Michigan. These have paid fees totalling \$955.00.

II. We recommend the following associations be accepted into the National Association of Free Will Baptists and their delegates be seated: Northeastern Association of Free Will Baptists, Kansas State Association of Free Will Baptists, First Mexican Association of Free Will Baptists, North Carolina State Association of Free Will Baptists, the delegates of such be officially registered.

We recommend the following churches be accepted into the National Association of Free Will Baptists and their delegates be seated: Fairbanks Church of Alaska; First Free Will Baptist Church of Buhl, Idaho; First Free Will Baptist church of Denver, Colorado; Riverview Free Will Baptist Church of Bettendorf, Iowa; First Free Will Baptist Church of Vancouver, Washington.



We are indeed grateful to our Lord Jesus Christ for His continued blessings upon us and for the growth and progress of our denomination.

Respectfully submitted,  
E. E. MORRIS, *Chairman*;  
CARL VALLANCE  
F. S. VANHOOSE  
HARROLD HARRISON  
FOREST CHAMBERLAIN

## REPORT OF THE GENERAL BOARD

We your General Board have met on Monday and Tuesday, July 9 and 10 and submit the following report to you concerning our actions during these meetings.

I. We have heard and examined the reports and proposed budgets of the several standing boards of the National Association and do recommend them for the hearing and adoption of the National Association.

II. In respect to the church government controversy, we have taken the following actions:

A. We have heard and adopted a special report to us by the Executive Committee concerning the Committee's activities in regard to that situation during the past year. A copy of that special report is attached.

B. We have adopted a motion "that the General Board express its appreciation for the way the Executive Committee has labored so faithfully to resolve the situation in North Carolina and that we express our confidence in them for the manner in which they have handled it."

C. On declaration to us by Brother Henry Melvin that he has resigned his church (one of those which has withdrawn from the National Association), and that he intends to maintain his fellowship with the National Association by seeking affiliation with a member body in the near future, we recommend that he be allowed to continue his term of office on the Free Will Baptist League Board uninterrupted, with a period of six months to be allowed him to affiliate with a National Association member body. We also recommend that a similar provision be granted to any others that may be so affected and who will give similar declaration.

III. We have carefully analyzed the proposed revision of the Constitution and By-Laws prepared at our instruction by the Executive Committee. With some amendments we have made, we recommend that this proposed revision be adopted by this National Association, it being understood that the revision will be placed on the table on Wednesday and actually voted on Thursday.

IV. We also present to you for your approval, the following miscellaneous items:

A. We recommend that the General Board be instructed to give study to the establishment of a Historical Commission.

B. We have adopted a motion instructing the Executive Committee to prepare, with the help of proper professional counsel, a new hymnal for Free Will Baptists, to be published by 1965.

C. We recommend the following resolution for your adoption:

Whereas, it was originally expected that the sale of our present Headquarters Building would provide sufficient funds for the purchase of the land on which to construct a new Headquarters Building; and

Whereas, it has now become evident that the land will likely cost in excess of the value of our present property; and

Whereas there has arisen some question as to whether the \$125,000 limit set by the Association last year was on the construction contract alone or was intended to include cost of land;

Therefore, Be it resolved:

1. That the clarification be made that the cost of suitable land is not to count against the \$125,000 ceiling already adopted;

2. That the Executive Committee be empowered to sign contract for purchase of land after obtaining the approval of the General Board;

3. That the further qualification be added that the Executive Committee is to secure appraisal of surrounding property and that a price not be paid in excess of the appraisal value of surrounding properties.

D. We recommend that our Executive Secretary be instructed to take whatever steps necessary toward the recognition of our denomination by the United States government.

E. We recommend that, as we are now beginning our second quarter-century of service as a National Association, we reaffirm our belief in and loyalty to the 22 chapters in the doctrinal section of our *Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the National Association of Free Will Baptists*.

Respectfully submitted by the  
GENERAL BOARD OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS, BY  
ROBERT E. PICIRILLI, *Clerk*

## SPECIAL REPORT BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE GENERAL BOARD

Because of the very important nature of the particular problems with which we have had to deal during the past year in the church government controversy, we felt it best to make a detailed report to you of our activities in this area.

When the National Association convened in Norfolk in July, 1961, it was brought to the attention of the assembly that a segment of the members of the North Carolina State Convention of Free Will Baptists was advocating a "connectional" form of church government contrary to our established and traditional practice of congregational church government. At that session, the National Association expressed its position firmly and clearly—reaffirming belief in congregational church government, removing from office those who had given legal testimony that they believed in the "connectional" form of church government, and requesting the North Carolina State Convention to repudiate this form of government and reaffirm belief in the congregational form of church government.

During the past year, we, your Executive Committee, have attempted to follow the spirit and position of the action of the National Association a year ago. When the North Carolina State Convention met in September, 1961, our Executive Secretary attended the sessions and was thus able to give us a report of the North Carolina Convention's actions when we met for our annual fall meeting in October, 1961.

At that meeting we were informed that the North Carolina Convention had taken its stand on the side of those who were advocating "connectional" government, and had made it clear it would not respond to the request of the National Association. As a result of that action, we issued a statement which was made public in the November issue of *Contact*. The purposes of the statement were: (1) to make it known that we did not regard the action of the Convention as reflective of the entire constituency of Free Will Baptists within the State; (2) to indicate that we were not going to be rushed into the hasty action of withdrawing fellowship from North Carolina or of even attempting to tell the North Carolina Convention where it stood—it was our position that the North Carolina Convention should be the one to tell the National Association where it stood; (3) primarily, to exhort the people of North Carolina to reconsider and take the action requested by the National Association; and (4) specifically, to offer to meet with the leadership of the North Carolina Convention if they were interested in offering any specific proposals aimed at achieving a solution to the problems which would bring about such a reconsideration.

We are indeed regretful that our offer was not acknowledged. No parties from the North Carolina Convention have ever offered any constructive proposals toward a solution of the problem nor requested us to meet with them in the discussion of such proposals. The General Board will recall that a general invitation was sent out by the North Carolina leaders to all General Board members to attend one of their sessions, but even in this there was no recognition of the Executive Committee's offer nor were there presented any proposals that could be discussed at a conference table. The only proposal for solution that has come from the leadership of the



North Carolina Convention is for the National Association to rescind all its actions in the matter and surrender entirely to the will of the North Carolina Convention.

At our meeting in October, 1961, when that statement was issued, we were also faced with two particular problems relating to the crisis: The Free Will Baptist Press Board had failed to uphold its contracts with the Sunday School and League Boards. We heard the complaints of these Boards and of the Press Board, although the Press Board failed to respond to our invitation to represent personally at this meeting. As a result, we issued a published statement affirming our support of the plans of the Sunday School and League Boards to launch these programs, and the results of these programs are being presented to you in the reports of those Boards at this association.

It was also decided at that October meeting that we would attempt to inform the North Carolina courts concerning the position of the National Association of Free Will Baptists on church government. Since the majority of a local church within the state was being sued for the church property by a Conference in the state, jointly with the church minority, we felt the courts would want to know the position of the National Association; and we therefore attempted to file with the courts a "friend of the court" brief informing the court concerning the teaching of our Treatise on church government. This attempt, however, was unsuccessful.

On March 29, 1962, in special called session, the North Carolina State Convention voted to withdraw from the fellowship of the National Association and to set up a new denominational program. In response to that action, we again met in Nashville in April, 1962, and issued a statement which was made public in the May issue of *Contact*. The purposes of this statement were: (1) to express our sincere regrets over the action; (2) to indicate that we recognized the right of the Convention to withdraw and that we would not attempt to force its continued affiliation, recognizing that a basic disagreement over the form of church government exists; (3) to reassure all North Carolina Free Will Baptists who wished to remain in the National Association of our continued desire to remain at one with them. Recognizing the peculiar problem which existed from that time because of the fact that several of the National Association officers belonged to churches in North Carolina, we also issued a statement that all such officers would continue to serve, if they desired, until this association.

In conclusion, it has been and will continue to be our aim to have as little to say in this controversy as possible in order to maintain the uncompromising stand of our National Association and keep our people informed. It should be made clear that the severance of fellowship between the North Carolina Convention and the National Association was by the deliberate action of the North Carolina Convention, but we would like to reiterate the fact that we continue to be open to receive constructive suggestions from the North Carolina Convention aimed at bringing back harmony. In the meanwhile, we are happy to report to you that a new State Association has been formed within the State, representing approximately half the State's Free Will Baptist constituency, and desiring to maintain the fellowship of the National Association and its congregational form of church government.

### STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION REPORT

Recognizing the need for the practice of systematic and proportionate giving on the part of each individual throughout our denomination, your Stewardship Commission proposes the following:

1. To designate in our denominational calendar the month of September as Stewardship Emphasis Month.
2. To encourage co-operation from our churches during this proposed time.
3. To emphasize giving in all its aspects—that of tithing, annuities, wills, etc.
4. To make available a packet of stewardship promotional materials, together with instructions, for all interested.
5. To publish tracts, and other aids, throughout the year. This material to be available on a cost basis.

We covet your prayers and co-operation in the fulfillment of these objectives to the honor and glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,  
MALCOLM C. FRY, *Chairman*

### REPORT OF THE LAYMEN'S COMMISSION

The year 1961 was a good year for the Laymen's Commission. Reports show that we now have an active Master's Men group in 196 churches, covering 24 states and Cuba, with an aggregate membership of 3600 laymen. Through the efforts of your commission we have been able to reach about one out of every ten of our churches in a laymen's endeavor.

The great potentials of our organization continue to inspire us to do more in reaching and enlisting the vast numbers of Free Will Baptist men in our churches. We realize the need of channeling this great resource into active participation in our Lord's work. There are an estimated 35,000 Free Will Baptist laymen, whose service and vigor are commanded of our Lord and are yet not actively affiliated with our organization.

The Laymen's Commission met in Nashville in April of this year and gave serious consideration to the organization and propagating of the Master's Men. Several definite plans were enacted to streamline the entire set-up of our organization.

The commission appointed state secretaries in each affiliated state and announcement of their appointments is forthcoming. A membership drive for 10,000 new members is being launched beginning January 1, 1963, under the direction of Mr. Lynn Hamilton of Oklahoma. *Attack*, our National publication and program booklet, is under revision, and pastors and laymen of our denomination will be writing programs and articles beginning the new year.

A new manual for Junior Master's Men is being written by Dr. and Mrs. J. D. O'Donnell and will be introduced shortly.

We call for the support of the pastors of our denomination to interest the men of their churches in our organization. We also ask for their comments and suggestions in carrying out this great work. The Master's Men booth in the display area has many free publications to help you organize your men into a regular Master's Men chapter. Pray for us, and with the Master's help we will succeed.

ROBERT HILL, *Director*  
FINIS BARR, *Secretary*  
FRANNIE ELLIOTT, *Chairman*

### REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S NATIONAL AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The annual meeting of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention met on July 9 and 10 immediately prior to this session of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. There were 333 auxiliaries reporting, with total representation fees of \$1,332.05. Of these auxiliaries, 21 were classified as "A-1," 46 as "B," and 33 as "C." Total enrolment at the beginning of the Convention Year was 5,497, with a present enrolment of 6,634. 904 members attended the convention.

In its youth department work, the Woman's Convention reports the following organizations: 133 G.T.A., 138 Y.P.A., 29 B.A., and 10 M.M. organizations. The total membership is 1,210 in G.T.A., 1,302 in Y.P.A., 189 in B.A., and 77 in the M.M. There were 30 Mission Declamation Contests sponsored during the year by the the Woman's Auxiliary organizations; 55 active church libraries reported; 194 Daily Vacation Bible Schools assisted; 166 Bible College students assisted; and 2 Essay Contests sponsored.

In its study course department, there were reported 142 courses on Missions, 164 on Stewardship, 154 on the Manual, 134 on Evangelism, 144 on Prayer, with 90 Reading circles and 1,703 daily Bible readers listed.

In its program-prayer department, there were 545 special programs held and 619 weeks of prayer sponsored. A total amount of self-denial offerings resulting from the weeks of prayer was \$4,356.76. A total of 1,455 family altars are reported, with 1,312 total members observing prayer fellowship.

In its personal service department, there were reported 2,166 women making soul-winning efforts, with 303 souls won. Active in Community Missions were 2,607 members, and a total of \$3,996.07 was reported given to children's homes.

In its publicity department, 2,299 subscribers to Free Will Baptist papers were reported, with 734 articles having been written for publication.



In personal giving, women of the Convention reported \$9,183.48 given to Missions; \$2,343.66 to Free Will Baptist Bible College; \$1,693.69 to children's homes; \$723.30 to superannuation; and \$5,501.26 miscellaneous.

MRS. RUFUS COFFEY, *President*  
MRS. J. B. CHISM, *Recording Secretary*

### REPORT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE

We recommend the adoption of a total denominational budget of \$882,949.97 as proposed by the various boards.

We recommend the adoption of the following percentages for the allocation of Cooperative funds for the year 1963.

Foreign missions .....	29%
Bible College .....	21%
Executive Dept. ....	20%
Home Missions .....	16%
League .....	10%
Superannuation .....	3%
Stewardship Commission .....	1%
	100%

BILLY A. MELVIN, *Executive Secretary*

### REPORT OF PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

#### Item 1

The Placement Committee of the National Association met and considered three invitations for the 1964 session, from Beckley, West Virginia; Charlotte, North Carolina; and Savannah, Georgia.

We wish to express our deep appreciation for the hospitality and interest shown by these invitations, but did not find any of the facilities adequate for the entertainment of the Convention.

#### Item 2

We recommend that the National Association become responsible for all expenses incurred in promoting and entertaining its annual Convention; and, that while invitations from member bodies will always be readily considered, that the Association be free to initiate arrangements for the Convention itself.

#### Item 3

We recommend that beginning with the 1964 session, we meet in Nashville, Tennessee, our headquarters city, every other year.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. S. MOONEYHAM, *Chairman*  
HENRY VANKLUYVE  
EVERETTE HELLARD  
RICHARD CORDELL  
I. J. BLACKWELDER

### REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

1. Be it resolved that we express sincere appreciation to the State of Tennessee for its entertainment of the National Association in this session.

2. Be it resolved that we express sincere appreciation to Burrough's Florist for floral arrangements for each session of this National Convention.

3. Be it resolved that the Executive Secretary formulate a letter expressing our appreciation to the *Nashville Banner* and *Nashville Tennessean* for their fine coverage of this convention.

4. Whereas the recent ruling of the Supreme Court against the use of the so-called "Regent's Prayer" in the schools of New York has created a climate of con-

fusion and misunderstanding regarding the practise of any prayers in public schools as well as the practise of other nonsectarian religious exercises, including Bible reading, baccalaureate services, the Pledge of Allegiance's inclusion of the words "under God," and others; and

Whereas we believe that such exercises are a part of the great and vital school traditions of this country and should be maintained as moral practises that contribute to the strength and character of the community and nation; and

Whereas we believe as long as these practices are kept nonsectarian and voluntary they do not constitute the "establishment of religion" and thus are not in violation of the first amendment to the constitution; and

Whereas we believe that the surest way to preserve these rights for the majority of the people of this country is to amend the constitution so as to permit their continued practise as a part of our heritage;

Therefore, Be it resolved that the National Association of Free Will Baptists give its fullest support to the adoption of such an amendment or whatever steps are necessary to insure the continuance of such nonsectarian religious devotions—including prayer and Bible reading—both in our schools and in other areas of public life.

5. Whereas the National Association of Free Will Baptists recognizes that there are numerous Free Will Baptists in North Carolina who are unaffiliated with the worldwide ministry of the National Association;

Therefore, Be it resolved that this National Association seek a cordial Christian relationship with these brethren in the sincere desire that they will see fit to affiliate with the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

6. Be it resolved that we rescind the action taken in previous years by the National Association of Free Will Baptists in respect to endorsement of the *Free Will Baptist*.

7. Be it resolved that we give a standing vote of thanks to all of the officers of this body, who have served so faithfully throughout the year and through this session.

Respectfully submitted,  
CLAUDE HAMPLEMAN, *Chairman*;  
WILLIAM E. ATKINSON  
I. L. STANLEY  
C. E. CAMPBELL  
BILLY HOOD

### REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

Whereas the theme of this association is "God's Word, the key to spiritual awakening," and in view of the teaching of God's word with regard to temperance as found in Titus 2; I Tim. 4:12; Gal. 5:22, 23; and

Whereas this is contrasted to the intemperate living of our society, worldly self-indulgence, drunkenness, and moral decay; and

Whereas this is in disregard of the teachings of God's Word; we submit the following recommendations:

1. That every pastor, teacher, evangelist, missionary, and layman be urged to stand against, and proclaim the teachings of God's word concerning, the evils of intemperance, the use and sale of alcoholic beverages, sinful amusements, worldly entanglements, immodest dress, and the god of materialism.

2. That every Christian be alert to: (a) the subtle and evil attempt of the liquor industry, through newspaper and magazine articles and the mass media of advertising, to make drunkenness a sickness instead of a sin; (b) the pressures of the materialistic society in which we live as it seeks to woo us to conform to the world and its status of material domination; (c) the need to abstain from anything that would grieve the Holy Spirit of God in our lives (Eph. 4:30).

Respectfully submitted,  
J. E. BLANTON, *Chairman*,  
DELBERT AKIN  
RANDY COX  
GORDON SEBASTIAN  
H. D. HARRISON



## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

With thanksgiving to God, we bring this report to the 26th session of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. As each of you know, this has been a year in which we have sought to maintain the stand of this body, taken last year at Norfolk, Virginia, when the position of congregational church government was reaffirmed. It has been most gratifying to see the response of our people in this matter. I am quite sure that Free Will Baptists do not intend to see their historic form of church government taken from them.

In spite of this issue which resulted last March in the withdrawal of the North Carolina State Convention from this fellowship, as well as the support of some individuals and churches, this has been an outstanding year for us. The reports of our various departments of work will reveal our progress. You will note that the Lord has graciously undertaken in certain areas of work.

**PROMOTION:** Again this year, travel in the interest of our denominational work has taken a considerable portion of my time. In addition to visits within the various states, I attended the annual meeting of the Commission on Chaplains of the NAE, the National Sunday School Association, the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society, the Evangelical Press Association, and the 20th annual session of the National Association of Evangelicals.

Last November I made an extensive trip into the New England states and in May returned to assist in the organization of the North Eastern Association of Free Will Baptist Churches. This association has petitioned the National Association for membership.

Since we have been able to secure additional help in our office, we are planning to extend our contacts on the field. We are anxious to establish better avenues of communication to the end that we might serve all of our people and churches better.

**DEPARTMENTAL PROJECTS:** Last year we enjoyed a very fine increase in our book store operation. During the year, we received a large number of books and other items from the Board of Publication and Literature when they closed out their operation. This inventory added considerably to the financial picture.

Late last year, some changes were made in our Sunday Bulletin Service. These changes have proven to be for the best and we are now circulating about 17,000 bulletins per Sunday. We are anxious to improve this service and we believe that all of our subscribers will be pleased with some additional improvements that are coming.

After a fair year in 1960, *Contact* moved steadily ahead in 1961. Two subscription campaigns were highly successful. Our circulation now stands at about 6,400. This is the highest circulation in some time. We are still pressing to get circulation above 10,000. To do this, more of our churches will have to adopt the "Church Family Plan." With your support, we hope to increase *Contact* this fall to twenty pages with a two-color cover.

Last March we were able to secure the services of Mr. Harold Critcher in our office. As a result, we have enjoyed some very substantial gains recently in the above mentioned areas of work.

A new service launched last year by our denomination was Executive Church Bonds, Inc. Through this service we have been able to assist many of our churches in financing building programs which would not have been possible otherwise. This method of financing also means substantial savings for the church. Besides Free Will Baptist churches, we have had programs with churches in six other denominations. Over a million dollars worth of bonds have been issued through this program since September 1961. Rev. Robert C. Hill serves as director and Rev. Henry VanKluyve as representative.

**OUR STEWARDSHIP:** Denominational giving last year was \$413,127.00 for all national causes. This compares with \$329,810.87 for 1959 and \$353,409.00 for 1960. Of the total denominational giving, \$49,706.10 (about 12%) was given through the Cooperative Plan of Support. We are grateful for this increase in our Cooperative receipts. Here is our Cooperative giving for the past six years:

1956—\$38,696.30  
1957—\$52,590.75

1958—\$45,057.93  
1959—\$43,839.69  
1960—\$47,291.44  
1961—\$49,706.10

The following table gives the actual gifts of our people to National Association work over a span of 18 years.

	1943	1949	1954	1956	1958	1960	1961
Foreign Missions	14,958	43,091	81,232	101,933	143,982	191,847	210,107
Home Missions	1,025	1,017	33,875	23,808	42,367	56,117	73,454
Bible College	21,756	17,680	45,990	78,273	77,526	78,218	97,369
Executive Dept.		7,860	3,546	20,274	11,238	12,373	13,469
Sunday School	80	364	689	2,175	2,710	5,163	3,594
League		1,358	1,533	2,507	2,948	5,056	10,675
Superannuation	1,178	2,089	2,703	8,163	4,442	4,635	4,459
Totals	38,997	73,459	169,568	237,133	285,213	353,409	413,127

Per capita giving during 1961 was approximately \$2.06. This is not an impressive average and points up the fact that we must convey stewardship responsibility more effectively to our people. Note our per capita giving in comparison to some other denominations for last year: Free Methodist—\$269.71; Wesleyan Methodist—\$228.13; Evangelical Free Church—\$203.54; Pilgrim Holiness Church—\$200.48.

**NEW HEADQUARTERS BUILDING:** As we look into the future, it is imperative that we erect a new building in which to house the various departments of our work. The expanding ministry of our entire national work has been such that present facilities are grossly inadequate. You will be hearing more of this need and I trust that you will respond warmly and freely that, should God will, we will be able to get into this new building next year. We covet your prayers in this very important project.

**CONCLUSION:** Surely, what has been accomplished through the Executive department last year has been a cooperative effort. Concerned individuals and churches have stood with us both in prayer and support. To all of you I would like to express my sincere appreciation. My appreciation also to the members of the executive committee who have freely given of their time and effort to assist me in this ministry and to the directors of each department for their fine cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,  
BILLY A. MELVIN

### Auditor's Statement:

I have examined the balance sheet of the Executive Department of the National Association of Free Will Baptists as of December 31, 1961 and the related statement of income and fund balance for the year then ended.

The recorded cash receipts for both the Executive Department and the Cooperative Plan were traced to bank deposits on a test basis. Disbursements were reviewed and classification of expenditure was examined on a test basis.

Cash was verified by count and by certificate obtained from the bank.

Requests for confirmation of accounts receivable were mailed to selected customers. No material discrepancies were noted in the replies, and all discrepancies were explained to my satisfaction.

The inventory of merchandise was taken and priced by department personnel. I test checked the physical inventory count and reviewed procedures used and methods employed by department personnel and test checked pricing, extensions and additions of the inventory sheets.

During the year under review the department received, without cost, a quantity of merchandise from the Board of Publication and Literature. Any unsold portion of this merchandise is included in the department's inventory, generally at retail price less 40%. Since no cost has been assigned to this merchandise, the cost of bookstore sales has been understated.



Since I am unable to determine the effects of the inventory situation discussed above on the financial statements taken as a whole, I am not in position to express an opinion on the financial statements presented herein; however, in all other respects the statements appear to be fairly stated.

MORRIS B. ADKINS,  
Certified Public Accountant,  
MARCH 21, 1962

#### Executive Department: Balance Sheet—December 31, 1961

ASSETS	
<i>Current Assets</i>	
Cash.....	1,973.08
Accounts receivable—customers.....	3,930.16
Accounts receivable—Headquarters Departments.....	50.00
Inventory of merchandise (See comments attached).....	7,610.92
Total Current Assets.....	\$13,564.16
<i>Land, Building and Equipment</i>	
Land.....	\$10,000.00
Headquarters building.....	9,198.14
Office equipment.....	5,931.26
Automobile.....	1,682.42
	\$26,811.82
Less allowance for depreciation.....	6,849.75
Net Land, Building and Equipment.....	\$19,962.07
<i>Other Assets</i>	
Cash in building fund.....	125.00
Total Assets.....	\$33,651.23
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
<i>Current Liabilities</i>	
Accounts payable.....	\$ 3,626.06
Note payable—bank.....	900.00
Total Current Liabilities.....	\$ 4,526.06
<i>Other Liabilities</i>	
Building fund collections.....	125.00
Fund Balance.....	29,000.17
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance.....	\$33,651.23

#### Executive Department: Income and Fund Balance—1961

RECEIPTS	
<i>Income</i>	
Sales—Book Store.....	\$15,108.60
Less cost of Book Store sales (See comments attached).....	8,443.64
	\$ 6,664.96
Sales of Bulletins.....	9,719.74
Less cost of Bulletins sold.....	7,298.56
	2,421.18
Sales of "Contact".....	4,830.12
Less cost of "Contact" sold.....	4,904.47
	( 74.35)
Gross Profit on Sales.....	\$ 9,011.79

#### Other Income

Cooperative Plan.....	\$11,851.84
Rent.....	630.00
Honorariums.....	125.98
Contributions and Convention Offerings.....	3,087.96
National Association fees.....	1,930.00
Church Bond fees.....	3,705.00
Receipts for mortgage on building.....	1,491.19

Total Other Income.....\$22,821.97

\$31,833.76

#### Expenses

EXPENDITURES	
Salaries.....	\$10,602.94
Housing allowance.....	1,200.00
Travel and promotion.....	885.82
Automobile expenses.....	694.94
Social Security and group insurance.....	552.35
Contributions.....	550.00
Miscellaneous.....	184.34
Interest.....	84.31
Insurance on building.....	167.70
Office supplies and expense.....	761.62
Depreciation.....	1,532.28
Book Store expense.....	572.23
Legal and auditing.....	324.80
Mail room supplies.....	158.81
Convention expense.....	1,611.87
Executive and General Board expense.....	457.40
Building repairs.....	117.42
Fuel, lights and water.....	322.16
Telephone and telegraph.....	682.97
Postage.....	2,016.87

Total Expenses.....\$23,480.83

Net Income.....8,352.93

Fund Balance, January 1, 1961.....20,647.24

Fund Balance, December 31, 1961.....\$29,000.17

#### Executive Department: Cooperative Plan Receipts and Disbursements, 1961

##### Receipts

Alabama.....	\$ 1,250.82
Arizona.....	89.97
Arkansas.....	3,884.74
California.....	5,143.92
Florida.....	4,238.80
Georgia.....	2,655.72
Illinois.....	5,043.35
Indiana.....	188.11
Kentucky.....	135.67
Missouri.....	10,152.30
New Hampshire.....	22.56
New Mexico.....	1,249.64
North Carolina.....	2,092.40
Ohio.....	245.78
Oklahoma.....	9,143.74
South Carolina.....	32.83



Tennessee.....	3,752.19
Texas.....	4,110.15
Virginia.....	994.50
Total Receipts.....	<u>\$54,427.19</u>

	Designated	Undesignated	Total
<i>Disbursements</i>			
Executive Department.....	\$ 170.91	\$11,680.93	\$11,851.84
Foreign Mission Board.....	2,469.37	13,669.18	16,138.55
Home Mission Board.....	1,158.14	6,710.29	7,868.43
Bible College.....	752.52	9,692.67	10,445.19
Superannuation Board.....	9.00	1,491.18	1,500.18
Sunday School Board.....	58.25	2,485.34	2,543.59
League Board.....	31.50	2,485.32	2,516.82
Headquarters Trustees.....		1,491.19	1,491.19
Miscellaneous Designated Funds.....	69.50		69.50
Total Disbursements.....	<u>\$ 4,719.19</u>	<u>\$49,706.10</u>	<u>\$54,425.29</u>

There is a balance of \$1.90 in the fund representing a collection due the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention.

#### Executive Department: 1963 Budget

##### Administrative Expense

Office and other salaries.....	\$17,081.68
Housing allowance.....	1,200.00
Office supplies.....	950.00
Legal and auditing.....	500.00
Social Security and group insurance.....	675.00
Postage and mailing supplies.....	1,500.00
Accounting.....	500.00
Depreciation on equipment.....	600.00
Executive committee travel.....	800.00
Telephone and telegraph.....	850.00
Equipment purchases.....	1,000.00
Reserve.....	2,000.00
Equipment maintenance.....	150.00
Miscellaneous.....	150.00
	<u>\$27,956.78</u>

##### Promotional Expense

Travel and promotion.....	1,200.00
Contact.....	1,500.00
Printing.....	2,500.00
Automobile expense.....	850.00
Convention expense.....	1,800.00
Depreciation on automobile.....	425.00
Purchase of new automobile.....	800.00
Miscellaneous.....	100.00
	<u>9,175.00</u>

##### Headquarters Building Expense

Utilities.....	425.00
Repairs and maintenance.....	175.00
Janitor's supplies and salary.....	200.00
Insurance on building.....	175.00
Miscellaneous.....	50.00
	<u>1,025.00</u>

#### Contributions

National Association of Evangelicals.....	600.00
American Bible Society.....	600.00
Chaplain's Commission, NAE.....	300.00
	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Operating Requirement.....	<u>\$39,656.68</u>

#### Anticipated Income

Receipts from states (Cooperative Plan and other).....	\$14,506.68
Gross profit on book store.....	4,500.00
Gross profit on bulletin service.....	2,000.00
Convention fees and offerings.....	2,500.00
Church bond fees.....	15,750.00
Rent on apartment.....	400.00
Total Anticipated Income.....	<u>\$39,656.68</u>

#### Executive Department: 1963 Suggested State Quotas

Alabama.....	\$ 350.00
Alaska.....	10.00
Arkansas.....	650.00
Arizona.....	50.00
California.....	1,200.00
Colorado.....	10.00
Florida.....	1,000.00
Georgia.....	600.00
Hawaii.....	10.00
Idaho.....	10.00
Illinois.....	1,100.00
Indiana.....	250.00
Iowa.....	10.00
Kansas.....	400.00
Kentucky.....	100.00
Maine.....	10.00
Michigan.....	300.00
Mississippi.....	50.00
Missouri.....	2,300.00
New Hampshire.....	10.00
New Mexico.....	250.00
North Carolina.....	650.00
Ohio.....	300.00
Oklahoma.....	2,100.00
South Carolina.....	150.00
Tennessee.....	850.00
Texas.....	850.00
Virginia.....	800.00
Washington.....	36.68
West Virginia.....	100.00
	<u>\$14,506.68</u>

#### Executive Department: 1963 Budget for Executive Church Bonds, Inc.

##### Operating Expenses

Executive Department fees.....	\$15,750.00
Commissions.....	14,850.00
Printing.....	8,300.00
Travel.....	3,200.00



Telephone and telegraph.....	1,200.00
Equipment.....	1,200.00
Supplies.....	500.00
Total Operating Expense.....	\$45,000.00
<i>Anticipated Income</i>	
Service fees.....	\$45,000.00

## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT—1961

"Declare His glory among the heathen, His wonders among all people" (Psalm 96:3).

Progress is evident in the ministry of the Department of Foreign Missions. In the year 1961 two new fields, Uruguay and Panama, were opened. Giving was at an all-time high, totaling \$216,016.04, for the year, compared to \$192,140.06 received in 1960.

During the past five years the foreign staff and receipts have doubled. At present we have 42 adult missionaries with 41 children. These missionaries are serving on ten mission fields in seven countries.

### A Survey of the Fields

*Africa:* A changing continent in need of the Changeless Christ. A country burning with the fever of nationalism, needing the spirit of evangelism.

There are ten adult missionaries with eleven children now living and working in the Bondoukou Circle, Ivory Coast, Africa. Our first medical doctor, Dr. LaVerne D. Miley, is now resident among the Lobis at Doropo.

The Reverend Dan Merkh, missionary builder, has supervised the building of the clinic, and it is near completion.

The first translation of Scripture is now in the hands of the American Bible Society. The Reverend Lonnie Sparks translated the Gospel of Mark into Kulango and the Reverend Bill Jones is in the process of translating the Gospel of Mark into Angi.

There is an immediate need for five more couples in the work of evangelism and education. Additional medical personnel is needed to staff the clinic and dispensaries in the area.

The Joneses are stationed at Koun. The Merkhs have been living at Doropo and are due home on August 1. The Mileys are stationed at Doropo. The Lonnie Palmers are now living at Goumere, while the Lonnie Sparkses are home on furlough.

*Brazil:* A Free Will Baptist minister who visited Brazil this year said, "This country offers one of the greatest opportunities in the world for the preaching of the Gospel." In land area, the country of Brazil is larger than the United States without Alaska and Hawaii. Its population is increasing by more than one million each year.

Free Will Baptist work in Brazil has given much sign of advance. We now have ten adult missionaries with nine children serving in this country.

The Reverend Ken Eagleton is director of the work, and he and his family live in Campinas. Miss Eula Mae Martin, R.N., has a very active ministry through a clinic established at the Free Will Baptist church in Campinas.

The Bobby Aycocks are establishing a work at Araras. They are definitely in need of a building in which to worship. Response has been good in this city, but has suffered opposition from Roman Catholic influence.

The Sammy Wilkinsons are in the process of organizing a group of believers in Jaboticabal. They have established classes for teaching English, through which they are giving an effective Christian witness.

The Bobby Pooles are ministering at Riberao Preto, a city of more than 100,000 population, which is 150 miles from Campinas. This is an educational center and the Pooles desire to open a Christian bookstore and reading room in this city.

The Reverend Dave Franks is now home on furlough and Miss Mary Ellen Rice is under appointment to Brazil. Mr. Eagleton said, "Send us 100 missionaries to Brazil."

*Cuba:* The Free Will Baptist Church of Cuba is giving evidence of a faithful and effective ministry. The Reverend and Mrs. Thomas H. Willey, Sr., have been unable to return to Cuba because of the Communist regime.

The work of the churches continues under the leadership of national pastors. They must labor under restrictions but were permitted to meet for their annual convention in Pinar. Let us pray for God to preserve, provide, and protect these dear Christians of Cuba.

The influx of 2,000 Cuban refugees each week into Miami, Florida, created an emergency situation for the mission departments. The Board of Foreign Missions joined with the National Home Mission Board for a project called CERF-Cuban Emergency Relief Fund. A refugee center is provided in which food, clothing, and other assistance can be given. This provides real opportunity for Christian witnessing. Mr. Willey was selected to direct this project. He and Mrs. Willey are also being widely used in missionary conferences.

*Japan, Hokkaido:* The Reverend and Mrs. Wesley Calvery are living at Bihoro and are directing the work in North Japan. There are four groups of believers meeting at Bihoro, Abishiri, Koshimizu, and Tsubetsu. Two of these groups are under the supervision of national workers.

*Japan, Tokyo:* Tokyo is the largest city in the world. It has been said that Japan is to Asia what the United States is to the Western Hemisphere. We must evangelize this country, while the doors are open. A well-known missionary has predicted the closing of the doors.

There are four groups of believers meeting in the Tokyo area. This work is under the supervision of the Herbert Waids. The Fred Herseys are returning to Tokyo for their second term of missionary service.

We must have additional missionaries to meet the great need of evangelizing this great country for Christ.

*North India:* The door for missionaries to enter North India is apparently closed, but the door of service is definitely open.

Evangelism and education are the emphases which our missionaries are giving in this area.

There are 16 worship centers with 300 believers. The Carlisle Hannas, stationed at Sonapurhat, supervise a hostel with 30 boys, and Mr. Hanna does village evangelism.

The Dan Cronks are presently at home on furlough. Their mission station is Kishanganj where they also maintain a hostel for boys. There are approximately 14,000 Santals in their area which have shown a special interest in their ministry. Schools are a definite need in reaching these people. There are three languages in which the Cronks give witness to the gospel.

The training of young men who have been called to the ministry is a definite need in the North India field.

*South India:* The first foreign mission field for the National Association of Free Will Baptists is still showing signs of progress according to recent reports from Miss Volena Wilson.

The church at Kotagiri is under the leadership of capable national Christians. The work at Gopalpuram reports continued growth under the leadership of Wilson Raj. This work has been formally organized with 44 charter members. Another work has been established at Mettupalaya where a chapel and modest parsonage are needed.

Miss Wilson has delayed her coming home for furlough until early next year.

Miss Barnard served for many years in South India and is now head of the Mission Department of Free Will Baptist Bible College. She has continued her relationship with the department by being available for missionary conferences.

*Panama:* The Reverend and Mrs. Thomas H. Willey, Jr., were transferred from Cuba to join with the John Moehlmans to open this new field for Free Will Baptists. The Moehlmans have chosen the city of Penonome as a base for their operation. They are in need of transportation for ministering to surrounding villages.

The Willeys are living in Panama City with a ministry to the students of the University of Panama, and also are doing rural evangelism on week ends.



Central America offers its challenge to Free Will Baptists. A survey made by the Reverend Willey reveals open doors for preaching the gospel. "Come over and help us" is the cry, and we must give answer.

*Uruguay:* This is another field to be added to the expanding program of the Department of Foreign Missions. We have four adult missionaries with three children living in the city of Rivera. The Paul Robinsons, the first lay-missionary couple to be sent by the Board, have been joined by the Reverend and Mrs. Bill Fulcher to establish Free Will Baptist work in this country. Uruguay has a population of 2,800,000 with only 7,983 church members in 118 churches. The Province of Rivera has a population of 75,000 with only one other foreign missionary. Free Will Baptists must accept the opportunities which this country offers for the preaching of the gospel.

#### Literature

The church is awakening to the potential of literature and is making its bid for the thoughts and through them the hearts of men. It is estimated that 1,000,000 people are learning to read every week. It is said that the Communists took China not with guns and bombs but with paper swords—literature.

The Department of Foreign Missions is enlarging its literature ministry. More than 25,000 copies of *Heartbeat*, edited by Jerry Ballard, are distributed each month. This gives a potential reading audience of 75,000 each month.

Three tracts have been published in Spanish and three in Portuguese. *Unto the Uttermost*, an introduction to Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions, has been prepared and published in addition to other promotional materials.

This program of literature must be enlarged and we appeal to you for funds to make it possible.

#### Missionary Conferences

The New Testament idea of missionaries reporting to the churches what God is doing (Acts 14:26-27) is a very effective method for increasing missionary vision, burden, and giving. Many churches and conferences now have standing dates for annual missionary conferences.

The department commends the promotional secretaries and mission boards of the various states for cooperation given in planning conferences and itineraries.

#### Board Members and Home Staff

Mark M. Lewis, chairman; Joe Ange, vice-chairman; Raymond Riggs, member; Eugene Waddell, member.

Rolla D. Smith resigned as general director to return to the pastorate and J. Reford Wilson was named as his successor.

Jerry Ballard is director of publications and information; Mrs. Hubert B. Sloan, secretary-bookkeeper; Miss Hildred Dew, secretary; Mr. Bob Valentine, part-time press operator.

Mr. Smith is to be commended for the efficient manner in which he administrated and promoted the work of foreign missions.

#### What of the Future?

The Lord Jesus Christ never commanded His church to stand still. The task is not completed. We must advance and attack the strongholds of Satan with the preaching of the gospel.

We rejoice in the accomplishments of the past year. We are thankful to God for our staff on foreign fields and for our people who have prayed and given.

We recognize that there is a greater potential for missionary service in our denomination. Is it too much to expect our staff and receipts to double in the next three years? Our denominational giving the last year averaged approximately \$1.08 per member.

We request your prayers and gifts to enable the Foreign Mission Department to expand its operation to meet today's opportunities.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. REFORD WILSON, General Director

#### Auditor's Statement:

I have examined the Balance Sheet of the Board of Foreign Missions of The National Association of Free Will Baptists as of December 31, 1961 and the related Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the year then ended.

It was not practicable to verify the amount of contributions received from the various donors; consequently, my examination of receipts was limited to the books and records of the Board. With this exception my examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, subject to the qualification indicated above, the accompanying Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Board of Foreign Missions of The National Association of Free Will Baptists at December 31, 1961 and the results of its recorded cash transaction for the year then ended.

MORRIS B. ADKINS,  
Certified Public Accountant,  
JANUARY 24, 1962

#### Foreign Missions: Balance Sheet, December 31, 1961

ASSETS			
<i>Current Assets</i>			
Cash.....			\$45,368.89
<i>Land, Building and Equipment</i>			
	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Accum. Depr.</i>	<i>Net</i>
Cameras and projectors.....	402.18	281.93	120.25
Film inventory.....	2,926.08	—0—	2,926.08
Office equipment.....	5,712.57	1,311.64	4,400.93
Office furniture.....	815.57	474.07	341.50
Automobiles.....	4,305.09	1,654.62	2,650.47
Residence.....	15,000.00	750.00	14,250.00
Total Land, Building and Equipment.....	\$29,161.49	\$4,472.26	\$24,689.23
Total Assets.....			\$70,058.12

#### LIABILITIES, DESIGNATED FUNDS AND FUND BALANCE

<i>Liabilities</i>	
Accounts payable.....	\$ 108.77
Payroll taxes.....	277.93
Note payable on residence (payable \$65.67 per month for principal and interest).....	7,623.60
Total Liabilities.....	\$ 8,010.30
Designated Funds (Unexpended cash balances).....	43,229.83
Fund Balance.....	18,817.99
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances.....	\$70,058.12

#### Foreign Missions: Receipts and Disbursements, 1961

Cash Balance, January 1, 1961.....	\$ 44,744.37
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# Receipts

State Quotas.....	\$210,106.90	
Interest earned.....	780.26	
Other receipts.....	5,128.88	
Total Receipts.....		216,016.04
Total to be accounted for.....	\$260,760.41	

# Disbursements

Foreign Missions		
Africa.....	\$43,870.41	
Brazil.....	25,349.65	
Cuba.....	35,176.10	
India.....	20,654.17	
Japan.....	18,976.54	
Housing for Japan.....	5,000.00	
Latin America.....	15,846.47	
Spain.....	1,050.00	
Medical expense of missionaries.....	1,557.93	
Social Security.....	1,147.12	
Itinerant expense.....	3,803.03	\$172,431.42
Travel and Promotion		
Board members.....	999.81	
General Director and Promotional Secretary.....	2,914.96	
Films and supplies.....	1,061.09	
Books and tracts.....	38.30	
Payments on automobile.....	1,579.55	
Miscellaneous.....	225.00	\$ 6,818.71
Administrative		
General Director's salary.....	\$ 5,201.93	
Promotional Secretary's salary.....	3,675.00	
Office salaries.....	5,417.26	
Housing allowance.....	1,100.00	
Note payments and maintenance on house.....	4,914.16	
Office supplies and equipment payments.....	1,392.87	
Postage.....	1,141.42	
Evangelical Foreign Mission Association.....	192.50	
Printing and stationery.....	9,372.91	
Telephone and telegraph.....	753.99	
Headquarters maintenance.....	1,116.64	
Social Security.....	369.68	
Auditing.....	175.00	
Miscellaneous.....	607.19	\$ 35,430.55
Other Disbursements		
Printing Press.....		710.84
Total Disbursements.....		\$215,391.52
Cash Balance, December 31, 1961.....		\$ 45,368.89

# Foreign Missions: Summary of Receipts by Years:

1957.....	\$125,379.45
1958.....	148,152.05
1959.....	172,401.85
1960.....	192,140.06
1961.....	216,016.04

# Foreign Missions: State Quota Receipts, 1961

State	Amount of Quota	Amount of Receipts	Receipts Over (Under) Quota
Alabama.....	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 4,193.85	(\$ 4,306.15)
Arizona.....	700.00	387.79	( 312.21)
Arkansas.....	7,000.00	5,683.70	( 1,316.30)
California.....	7,000.00	7,906.09	906.09
Florida.....	6,000.00	4,725.26	( 1,274.74)
Georgia.....	8,500.00	6,994.96	( 1,505.04)
Idaho.....	700.00	55.72	( 644.28)
Illinois.....	8,500.00	9,435.75	935.75
Indiana.....	700.00	1,148.52	448.52
Kansas.....	500.00	319.39	( 180.61)
Kentucky.....	5,500.00	3,833.77	( 1,666.23)
Maine.....	200.00	25.00	( 175.00)
Michigan.....	25,000.00	18,911.74	( 6,088.26)
Mississippi.....	5,500.00	2,937.78	( 2,562.22)
Missouri.....	15,500.00	19,978.77	4,478.77
New Mexico.....	1,000.00	679.82	( 320.18)
North Carolina.....	50,000.00	51,865.83	1,865.83
Ohio.....	7,500.00	5,351.26	( 2,148.74)
Oklahoma.....	12,000.00	12,771.94	771.94
South Carolina.....	11,000.00	12,553.25	1,553.25
Tennessee.....	17,500.00	17,129.46	( 370.54)
Texas.....	10,500.00	8,521.95	( 1,978.05)
Virginia.....	12,000.00	12,201.31	201.31
West Virginia.....	5,000.00	2,493.99	( 2,506.01)
Totals.....	\$226,300.00	\$210,106.90	(\$16,193.10)

# Foreign Missions: Proposed Budget, 1963 (compared with 1962 budget)

	1962	1963
Field Expenses		
Africa.....	\$52,003.00	\$75,231.50
Brazil.....	21,100.00	22,417.00
Cuba.....	33,960.00	20,000.00
India		
North India.....	14,700.00	23,050.00
South India.....	7,142.00	7,365.00
Japan.....	18,405.00	
Hokkaido.....		6,030.00
Tokyo.....		12,250.00
New Field in Latin America-Moehlman.....	7,390.00	
Panama.....		16,078.25
Uruguay.....	13,450.00	10,000.00
Spain.....	1,800.00	
Expansion—New Field or Additional Couple on Existing Field.....	7,000.00	
Repatriation.....	1,000.00	1,000.00
Medical, Optical and Dental for Missionaries.....	6,000.00	7,275.00
Social Security for Missionary Personnel.....	2,000.00	2,000.00
New Furlough Wagon-Exchange Price.....	1,200.00	
Furlough Itinerary Expense—Including Honorariums for Missionaries.....	5,000.00	12,000.00
Cost of Living Bonus for Missionaries.....	2,500.00	2,500.00

\$217,196.75



### Administrative Expense

Salaries.....	\$21,527.96	\$20,172.00
Postage.....	2,500.00	1,500.00
Office Supplies and Equipment.....	500.00	1,500.00
Mortgage Payments.....	788.04	788.04
Upkeep, Insurance, etc., on Residence.....	400.00	400.00
Housing Allowance—(Director of Publications).....	1,200.00	1,200.00
Housing Allowance (Director of Conference Ministries).....		1,200.00
E.F.M.A.....	250.00	250.00
Printing, Heartbeat, Tracts, Etc.....	13,800.00	14,365.00
Maintenance (Includes Telephone and Utilities).....	1,000.00	1,200.00
Social Security—Administrative Personnel.....	600.00	816.00
Auditing.....	175.00	250.00
All Other.....	1,000.00	1,314.00

\$ 44,955.04

### Traveling and Promotional Expense

Board Members Expense.....	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
Itinerary Expense.....	3,000.00	4,000.00
Operational Expense—Department Car.....	1,200.00	1,200.00
Tracts and Books.....	250.00	250.00
Films and Supplies.....	1,000.00	4,000.00
Exchange Price—Department Car.....		1,500.00
Traveler's Insurance.....		116.50
Honorariums.....	400.00	400.00

\$ 12,366.50

\$274,518.29

### SUGGESTED STATE QUOTAS

STATE	1962 Quota	1963 Quota
Alabama.....	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 7,000.00
Alaska.....		300.00
Arizona.....	2,000.00	1,000.00
Arkansas.....	7,000.00	8,000.00
California.....	11,000.00	12,000.00
Florida.....	6,500.00	6,500.00
Georgia.....	8,000.00	8,500.00
Hawaii.....		100.00
Idaho.....	200.00	200.00
Illinois.....	10,000.00	11,000.00
Indiana.....	2,000.00	2,500.00
Kansas.....	500.00	1,250.00
Kentucky.....	5,500.00	5,500.00
Maine.....	200.00	250.00
Michigan.....	25,000.00	26,500.00
Mississippi.....	5,000.00	5,500.00
Missouri.....	18,500.00	21,500.00
New Hampshire.....		200.00
New Mexico.....	1,000.00	1,250.00
North Carolina.....	50,000.00	54,000.00
Ohio.....	8,000.00	9,000.00
Oklahoma.....	14,000.00	17,000.00
South Carolina.....	12,500.00	15,000.00
Tennessee.....	20,000.00	22,500.00
Texas.....	11,000.00	12,250.00
Virginia.....	13,500.00	17,500.00
Washington.....		250.00
West Virginia.....	3,500.00	4,000.00
Miscellaneous.....	3,741.00	3,968.29
	\$245,141.00	\$274,518.29

### REPORT OF HOME MISSIONS BOARD

You have observed by our financial report that 1961 was a good year for the National Home Missions Department in a financial sense. *However, the fact that souls were saved and new churches started in so many places are the real items for thanksgiving.*

New missionaries have been sent out, and new areas opened for the Free Will Baptist denomination.

The work in Bettendorf, Iowa, has become self supporting as has the work in Littleton, New Hampshire.

One of the most pressing fields of service has been among the Cuban refugees in Miami. Your Home Missions Board purchased a building for the use of the Spanish mission in that city and is working in other ways to meet the needs.

For the year 1961 we spent the following amounts on some of our mission fields:

Washington, D. C. ....	\$ 4,302.86
Mexico Missions .....	13,374.38
Alaska Missions .....	12,139.69
Spanish Missions-U.S.A. ....	8,124.43
Canada-New England	
Missions .....	4,132.51
Hawaii .....	4,320.38
Colorado .....	3,305.00
New Missions-U.S.A. ....	4,682.85
Northwest Missions-U.S.A. ....	3,825.88

MISSION-GRAMS, our bi-monthly publication, has been well received by our people, and the mailing list now exceeds twenty-five thousand copies per issue.

At this session of the National Association, we anticipate churches from Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, and associations from Kansas and New England asking to be received as members. This is some indication of the unusual blessings the Lord has given our mission program and the home missionaries this past year.

Since the last annual report, Rev. and Mrs. Robert Sharry were appointed as missionaries to western Kansas. They have been living in Ulysses for some months. Rev. and Mrs. Kirby Joe Godwin have begun a work in the city of Fairbanks, Alaska, and Miss Joy Rice and Miss Rudene Kennedy are serving as "student missionaries" in Alaska for the summer. Rev. and Mrs. Johnnie Postlewaite have begun a new church in Vancouver, Washington. Rev. and Mrs. Mack Owens have moved to Frederickton, New Brunswick (Canada) and started a work. A parsonage was purchased in Nashville for the use of the general director's family.

The following states exceeded their quotas in giving last year: *Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Virginia, and Washington.* Some other states came very close to meeting their suggested quota and it appears that most states will exceed their quotas for 1962.

More and more churches are observing November as National Home Missions month and sending special "Thanksgiving offerings." These "extra" gifts plus the offerings from Daily Vacation Bible Schools are a real help in meeting our budget.

New work is soon to be started in Cheyenne, Wyoming, and Topeka, Kansas, among other places.

In addition to native pastors and workers, the following missionaries are now serving under the direction of the Home Mission Board:

Rev. and Mrs. Roy Thomas—Colorado  
 Rev. and Mrs. Mark Vandivort—New England  
 Miss Bessie Yeley—Spanish  
 Rev. and Mrs. Melitino Martinez—Spanish  
 Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Billows—Mexico  
 Rev. and Mrs. Lee Whaley—Alaska  
 Rev. and Mrs. Mack Owens—Canada  
 Rev. and Mrs. John Vick—Central U.S.A.  
 Rev. and Mrs. Johnny Postlewaite—Northwest U.S.A.



Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Walker—District of Columbia  
 Rev. and Mrs. Kirby Joe Godwin—Alaska  
 Miss Molly Barker (in school)—Medical  
 Miss Joy Rice (student)—Alaska  
 Miss Rudene Kennedy (student)—Alaska  
 Rev. and Mrs. Luther Sanders—Hawaii

We are asking that our budget be \$110,000.00 for 1963.

"Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee ..." St. Mark 5:19

"Repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations beginning at Jerusalem." (home) St. Luke 24:47

Brethren, pray for our work and workers.

Sincerely and earnestly,  
 HOMER E. WILLIS, General Director

#### Auditor's Statement:

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MORRIS B. ADKINS,  
 Certified Public Accountant,  
 JANUARY 16, 1962

#### Home Missions: Balance Sheet, December 31, 1961

##### ASSETS

##### Current Assets

Cash in banks.....	\$22,542.05	
Accounts receivable.....	398.55	
Inventory (merchandise and office supplies).....	1,235.42	
Total Current Assets.....		\$24,176.02

##### Fixed Assets

	Cost	Accum. Depr.	Net
Office furniture and equipment.....	\$2,372.08	\$ 894.47	\$ 1,477.61
Tent.....	2,000.00	2,000.00	—0—
Station Wagon.....	3,532.82	1,236.48	2,296.34
Total Fixed Assets.....	\$7,904.90	\$4,130.95	3,773.95

##### Other Assets

Church bonds (\$250.00 due 12-1-62; \$250.00 due 12-1-63).....	500.00
Total Assets.....	\$28,449.97

#### LIABILITIES, DESIGNATED FUND AND FUND BALANCES

##### Current Liabilities

Accounts payable.....	559.70
Designated Funds (Unexpended cash balances).....	6,283.42
General Fund Balance.....	21,606.85

Total Liabilities and Fund Balances.....\$28,449.97

#### Home Missions: Receipts and Disbursements, 1961

Cash Balance, January 1, 1961.....\$ 23,330.23

##### Receipts

State Quotas.....	\$73,453.56
Sale of merchandise and supplies.....	2,986.66
Other receipts.....	3,338.54
Total Receipts.....	79,778.76

Total to be accounted for.....\$103,108.99

##### Disbursements

Missionary maintenance.....\$58,207.98

##### Travel and promotion

Itinerant expense.....	\$ 545.84
Station wagon expense.....	1,399.10
Board members' travel.....	917.18
Other.....	560.52
	3,422.64

##### Administrative

Salaries.....	8,697.90
Headquarters maintenance.....	905.87
Printing.....	3,468.14
Postage.....	1,779.26
Office supplies.....	171.86
Accounting.....	125.00
Telephone.....	426.75
Miscellaneous.....	517.60
	16,092.38

Insurance.....	427.60
Merchandise for resale.....	2,328.84
Office building improvement.....	87.50

Total Disbursements.....80,566.94

Cash Balance, December 31, 1961.....\$ 22,542.05

##### Receipts by Years

1957.....	\$33,318.97
1958.....	47,162.46
1959.....	64,460.98
1960.....	69,728.07
1961.....	79,778.76



# Home Missions: State Quota Receipts, 1961

State	Amount of Quota	Amount of Receipts	Receipts Over (Under) Quota
Alabama	2,700.00	2,802.39	102.39
Alaska	400.00	70.00	( 330.00)
Arizona	500.00	12.16	( 487.84)
Arkansas	2,400.00	1,301.02	( 1,098.98)
California	3,000.00	1,648.25	( 1,351.75)
Florida	2,000.00	4,404.63	2,404.63
Georgia	2,400.00	3,108.64	708.64
Idaho	400.00	—	( 400.00)
Illinois	3,000.00	1,579.58	( 1,420.42)
Indiana	400.00	233.63	( 166.37)
Kansas	400.00	365.19	( 34.81)
Kentucky	3,000.00	1,867.74	( 1,132.26)
Michigan	5,000.00	3,589.88	( 1,310.12)
Mississippi	2,000.00	918.69	( 1,081.31)
Missouri	6,000.00	5,842.74	( 157.26)
New Mexico	400.00	288.01	( 111.99)
North Carolina	16,000.00	17,906.79	1,906.79
Ohio	3,000.00	2,101.00	( 899.00)
Oklahoma	4,500.00	7,090.24	2,590.24
Oregon	400.00	130.00	( 270.00)
South Carolina	2,500.00	1,603.03	( 896.97)
Tennessee	10,000.00	10,327.23	327.23
Texas	3,000.00	1,583.92	( 1,416.08)
Virginia	2,500.00	3,439.59	939.59
Washington	600.00	854.32	254.32
West Virginia	600.00	284.89	( 315.11)
Totals	\$77,100.00	\$73,453.56	(\$3,646.44)

# Home Missions: Proposed Budget, 1963

## Income:

Receipts from States	\$103,000.00	
Sale of Materials	3,000.00	
Miscellaneous	4,000.00	
	\$110,000.00	\$110,000.00

## Expense:

### Missionary Maintenance

Washington, D.C.	\$ 4,500.00	
Mexico Missions	9,000.00	
Alaska Missions	12,000.00	
Spanish Missions, U.S.A.	9,500.00	
Canada—New England Missions	9,000.00	
Hawaii Missions	9,000.00	
Colorado Missions	5,000.00	
Other Missions—New Areas	9,000.00	
Northwest Missions	5,000.00	
Designated Funds	11,000.00	
West Kansas Missions	2,000.00	
	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 85,000.00

## Administrative

Salaries	9,905.00	
Printing	1,400.00	
Office Supplies	301.00	
Insurance and Audit	500.00	
Expense of Tent	100.00	
Headquarters Maintenance	1,200.00	
Travel and Promotion	2,500.00	
Postage	1,500.00	
Station Wagon	2,244.00	
Social Security	300.00	
American Bible Society	100.00	
Materials for Resale	2,000.00	
Miscellaneous	2,950.00	
	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
		\$110,000.00

## STATE QUOTAS

STATE	1962 Quota	Proposed Quota For 1963
Alabama	\$ 3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Alaska	500.00	500.00
Arizona	500.00	500.00
Arkansas	3,000.00	3,000.00
California	3,500.00	3,500.00
Colorado	500.00	1,000.00
Florida	2,500.00	3,000.00
Georgia	3,000.00	3,500.00
Idaho	500.00	500.00
Iowa	—0—	1,000.00
Illinois	3,000.00	3,000.00
Indiana	1,000.00	1,000.00
Kansas	500.00	1,000.00
Kentucky	3,500.00	3,500.00
Michigan	5,000.00	5,000.00
Mississippi	2,000.00	2,000.00
Missouri	6,500.00	7,000.00
New Mexico	500.00	500.00
North Carolina	18,000.00	20,000.00
Ohio	3,500.00	4,000.00
Oklahoma	5,500.00	7,500.00
Oregon	500.00	500.00
South Carolina	2,500.00	3,000.00
Tennessee	11,000.00	11,500.00
Texas	3,000.00	3,000.00
Virginia	3,500.00	4,000.00
Washington	500.00	1,000.00
West Virginia	1,000.00	1,000.00
Other States		5,000.00
Sale of Supplies	5,000.00	3,000.00
Miscellaneous	7,000.00	4,000.00
Totals	\$100,000.00	\$110,000.00



# REPORT OF FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

## Report from the Registrar's Office:

	1961-62	1960-61	1959-60
Total enrollment for year.....	331	247	210
New students.....	164	121	97
Returning students.....	167	126	113
Male students.....	192	148	126
Female students.....	139	99	84
Ministerial students.....	139	111	103
Missionary candidates.....	45	30	27
Bachelor of Arts degrees awarded.....	19	19	19
Evangelical Teacher Training diplomas awarded.....	26	20	19
Christian Workers Institute diplomas awarded.....	4	3	0
Business Certificates awarded.....	7	3	0

Students came from the following states and 2 foreign countries:

North Carolina.....	75	South Carolina.....	8
Tennessee.....	59	Texas.....	7
Missouri.....	33	West Virginia.....	5
Oklahoma.....	23	Kentucky.....	4
Arkansas.....	21	Ohio.....	4
Virginia.....	13	Indiana.....	2
Alabama.....	12	Louisiana.....	2
California.....	11	Colorado.....	1
Michigan.....	11	Iowa.....	1
Florida.....	9	Montana.....	1
Georgia.....	8	New Jersey.....	1
Illinois.....	8	Canada.....	2
Mississippi.....	8	Cuba.....	2

## Library Report:

Total number of books catalogued.....	10,550
Number of books catalogued this year.....	1,299
Number of books not catalogued (about).....	800

## Financial Report:

	Gen. Fund	Anniversary	Building	Total
<i>Gifts:</i>				
Alabama.....	\$ 2,896.04	\$ 1,970.50	\$ 604.50	\$ 5,471.04
Alaska.....	4.00	—	70.00	74.00
Arizona.....	176.28	20.00	—	196.28
Arkansas.....	1,250.45	1,069.00	70.00	2,389.45
California.....	3,664.23	656.80	80.00	4,401.03
Colorado.....	48.47	—	100.00	148.47
District of Columbia.....	95.27	200.00	33.04	328.31
Florida.....	1,754.57	970.24	424.00	3,148.81
Georgia.....	2,436.89	2,344.49	275.00	5,056.17
Hawaii.....	—	—	116.00	116.00
Idaho.....	27.25	—	—	27.25
Illinois.....	1,709.49	547.64	487.76	2,744.89
Indiana.....	160.93	20.00	—	180.93
Kansas.....	248.19	100.00	31.30	379.49
Kentucky.....	275.00	239.36	—	514.36
Maryland.....	25.00	—	25.00	50.00
Michigan.....	3,276.72	597.00	1,025.00	4,898.72
Mississippi.....	2,281.02	1,672.60	123.25	4,076.87
Missouri.....	4,106.55	969.00	352.23	5,427.78
New Hampshire.....	91.35	20.00	47.69	159.04
New Mexico.....	237.56	30.00	—	267.56

North Carolina.....	8,812.52	4,427.85	1,941.82	15,182.19
Ohio.....	1,256.47	651.00	372.00	2,279.47
Oklahoma.....	3,288.74	700.00	327.00	4,315.74
Oregon.....	—	—	20.00	20.00
South Carolina.....	1,821.23	550.00	550.58	2,921.81
Tennessee.....	7,282.57	6,907.00	2,203.39	16,392.96
Texas.....	3,037.15	660.00	353.20	4,050.35
Virginia.....	2,476.59	485.00	127.00	3,088.59
Washington.....	10.83	—	20.00	30.83
West Virginia.....	400.34	277.00	67.67	745.01
W. N. A. C.....	1,397.97	—	31.38	1,429.35
Foreign Missionaries.....	253.47	229.52	845.00	1,327.99
Students and faculty.....	1,060.75	2,320.19	318.16	3,699.10
Matching gifts.....	820.00	—	—	820.00
Public gifts.....	809.83	—	—	809.83
Alumni Association.....	18.45	—	—	18.45
National League Board.....	—	—	181.19	181.19
	\$57,511.96	\$28,634.19	\$11,223.16	\$97,369.31

Includes \$9,532.94 in Alumni gifts.

## Bible College: Balance Sheet, May 31, 1961

### ASSETS

#### Current Fund

##### General:

Cash.....	\$ 20,918.39
Accounts receivable.....	3,060.00
Bookstore inventory.....	3,614.59
	27,592.98

##### Restricted:

Cash.....	157.73	\$ 27,750.71
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#### Loan Fund

Cash.....	314.00	
Notes receivable.....	23,450.99	23,764.99

#### Endowment Fund

Cash and investments.....	8,065.77
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#### Plant Fund

<i>Plant Fund</i>		
Cash and receivable from current fund . . . . .	8,810.08	
Invested in land, buildings and equipment . . . . .	350,345.96	359,156.04

Total Assets.....\$418,737.51

#### Agency Fund

Cash.....	\$ 390.18
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### LIABILITIES

#### Current Fund

##### General:

Accounts payable.....	\$ 6,274.66
Due plant fund.....	6,038.66
Salaries and taxes payable.....	3,601.44
Fund balance.....	11,678.22
	27,592.98

##### Restricted:

Fund balance.....	157.73	27,750.71
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#### Loan Fund

Fund balances.....	23,764.99
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<i>Endowment Fund</i>		
Fund balance.....		8,065.77
<i>Plant Fund</i>		
Note payable.....	30,000.00	
Fund balance (deficit).....	(21,189.92)	
	8,810.08	
Invested in plant.....	350,345.96	359,156.04
Total Liabilities and Balance.....		\$418,737.51
<i>Agency Fund</i>		
Fund balance.....		\$ 390.18

### Bible College: Income & Expenditures

<i>Income</i>			
General Fund:	1960-61	1961-62	Proposed Budget 1962-63
Education and General:			
Student fees.....	\$ 52,866.68	\$ 60,673.33	\$ 70,375.00
Miscellaneous income.....	1,162.27	1,372.06	9000.00
Gifts (unrestricted).....	59,784.73	57,511.96	85,000.00
Total Education and General.....	\$113,813.68	\$119,557.35	\$156,275.00
Auxiliary Enterprises:			
Dormitories.....	16,709.02	21,673.60	23,000.00
Dining Hall.....	40,375.83	52,530.87	55,000.00
Bookstore.....	14,842.85	17,088.88	17,000.00
Total Auxiliary.....	71,927.70	91,293.35	95,000.00
Total General Fund Income.....	\$185,733.03	\$210,850.70	\$251,275.00
<i>Expenditures</i>			
General Fund:			
Education and General:			
Administrative—			
Administrative and office salaries.....	\$ 20,198.72	\$ 21,582.57	\$ 34,900.00
S.S. taxes and insurance.....	3,086.53	2,996.85	3,558.88
Office, telephone and misc.....	5,456.81	5,489.37	6,050.00
Promotion and travel.....	8,611.42	8,854.73	9,500.00
Board of trustees expense.....	1,030.11	1,292.85	1,200.00
Graduation expense.....	461.48	547.68	500.00
Auditing expense.....	677.16	675.00	700.00
General insurance.....	142.10	165.89	300.00
Bad debts.....	142.17	52.10	—0—
Honorarium.....	625.00	830.21	1,000.00
Printing and publicity.....	5,409.59	7,744.68	7,500.00
Equipment.....	198.10	3,023.29	2,500.00
	\$ 46,039.19	\$ 53,255.22	\$ 67,708.88
Instructional:			
Faculty salaries.....	\$ 37,532.61	\$ 42,743.54	\$ 53,660.00
S.S. taxes and insurance.....	2,913.21	3,281.53	4,313.27
Supplies and misc. expense.....	4,692.11	4,001.59	6,025.00
	\$ 45,137.93	\$ 50,026.66	\$ 63,998.27
Library:			
Salaries.....	4,311.61	5,669.88	5,876.00
Books and supplies.....	3,114.87	3,025.54	3,900.00
	\$ 7,426.48	\$ 8,875.42	\$ 9,776.00

Physical plant:			
Salaries.....	\$ 4,819.94	\$ 5,661.81	\$ 11,390.00
Utilities.....	3,350.32	2,945.16	3,900.00
Care of bldgs. and grounds.....	4,742.83	7,204.26	11,861.65
Equipment.....	2,248.00	2,266.33	2,000.00
	\$ 15,161.09	\$ 18,077.56	\$ 29,151.65

Auxiliary Enterprises:			
Dormitories:			
Salaries.....	\$ 1,336.41	\$ 1,712.42	\$ 1,500.00
Utilities.....	3,260.21	4,805.07	4,700.00
Insurance and miscellaneous.....	956.71	1,490.16	1,650.00
Equipment.....	210.32	3,149.80	3,500.00
Operation and maintenance.....	7,600.00	9,052.64	—
	\$ 13,363.92	\$ 20,210.09	\$ 11,350.00

Dining Hall:			
Salaries.....	9,747.13	12,077.32	12,700.00
S.S. taxes and insurance.....	275.51	288.74	365.20
Groceries, food and supplies.....	19,676.57	25,998.10	26,650.00
Utilities.....	1,051.57	1,202.95	1,325.00
Insurance and miscellaneous.....	366.14	691.27	750.00
Equipment.....	215.76	1,078.96	1,500.00
Operation and maintenance.....	3,709.99	4,618.78	—
	\$ 35,042.67	\$ 45,956.12	\$ 43,290.20

Bookstore:			
Salaries.....	752.60	1,203.00	1,250.00
Purchases and expense.....	10,971.05	12,833.43	14,750.00
Operation and maintenance.....	892.14	998.19	—
	\$ 12,615.79	\$ 15,034.62	\$ 16,000.00

Total auxiliary.....	\$ 61,022.38	\$ 81,200.83	\$ 70,640.20
Contingency Fund.....			10,000.00
Total general fund expense.....	\$174,787.07	\$211,435.69	\$251,275.00

### Plant Fund

Income:			
Gifts—Improvement program.....	\$ 3,450.47	\$ 1,690.22	
Gifts—Alumni project.....	13,769.75	9,532.94	
Gifts—Anniversary campaign.....	—	28,634.19	
	\$ 17,220.22	\$ 39,857.35	\$ 30,000.00
Expenditures:			
Interest on note and expense.....	\$ 3,698.28	\$ 2,650.02	
Payment on note.....	12,000.00	31,000.00	
	\$ 15,698.28	\$ 33,650.02	

### Bible College: Suggested State Quotas, 1962-63

General Fund:	
Alabama.....	\$ 4,200.00
Alaska.....	250.00
Arizona.....	300.00
Arkansas.....	2,750.00
California.....	3,700.00
Colorado.....	100.00
District of Columbia.....	200.00
Florida.....	3,200.00
Georgia.....	3,700.00
Illinois.....	3,200.00



Indiana.....	500.00
Kansas.....	500.00
Kentucky.....	1,750.00
Michigan.....	3,750.00
Mississippi.....	3,250.00
Missouri.....	4,700.00
New Hampshire.....	600.00
New Mexico.....	500.00
North Carolina.....	15,500.00
Ohio.....	2,750.00
Oklahoma.....	4,000.00
South Carolina.....	3,000.00
Tennessee.....	10,250.00
Texas.....	3,700.00
Virginia.....	3,700.00
West Virginia.....	1,200.00
W.N.A.C.....	1,250.00
Other.....	2,500.00
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	\$ 85,000.00
Proposed Building Fund Gifts.....	30,000.00
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Total Gifts Income.....	\$115,000.00

## REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

At last year's National Association the Free Will Baptist Press of Ayden, North Carolina, notified the Sunday School Board that they wished to be released of further commitments of the existing contract between them and the Sunday School Board. The association voted to allow the Sunday School Board to work this out with the Executive Committee of the National Association. Negotiations were begun to attempt to persuade the Free Will Baptist Press to honor the contract to its fullest, but they would not respond. Notice of termination of the contract was filed with the Executive Committee and the Free Will Baptist Press as of January 12, 1962. To date the Free Will Baptist Press has not honored the contract and paid the more than \$3,500.00 that is due.

The Oklahoma State Association agreed to relinquish its literature program to the National Association and this transition took place with the second quarter of 1962. **THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION IS DEEPLY INDEBTED TO THE OKLAHOMA STATE ASSOCIATION FOR THIS UNPRECEDENTED ACTION AND WOULD LIKE FOR THIS BODY TO VOTE ITS APPRECIATION WITH THE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS REPORT.**

Since the time of the reinstatement of the Sunday School Board into the literature business, the Lord has greatly blessed. Orders have come to our department from all over the United States and over 1,000 churches have purchased their materials from us. As a result, we are financially solvent. All indebtedness of the department has been cleared and we are able to show a cash-in-the-bank balance for the first time in a number of years. It looks like we are well on our way toward furnishing our denomination with what Free Will Baptists deserve—the best literature program available anywhere.

To make our department financially solvent many have sacrificed. Many of you responded with gifts and we would like to express our appreciation. Several of our board members sacrificed their time in such duties as editing, proof-reading, mailing, etc. As pointed out previously, many of our churches have responded by ordering their literature from our department. These things have contributed to the success story of the Sunday School department.

In June, I moved to Nashville, Tennessee, to become General Director of the Sunday School department. Several others had previously been employed as part-time employees. Mr. Leroy Scudder is the Business-manager and Treasurer of the department. Miss Odine Haley serves as part-time secretary. We are at your service to see that your orders and requests are given immediate attention.

We are now offering six quarterlies that are written by competent Free Will Baptist writers. They are:

**PRIMARY QUARTERLY** to be used for boys and girls ages 6-8. This quarterly is written and illustrated by Mrs. Dorothy Phillips.

**JUNIOR QUARTERLY** to be used for boys and girls ages 9-11. This quarterly is written by Mrs. Faye Forlines.

**HIGH TEEN QUARTERLY** for Intermediates ages 12-14. This quarterly is written by Rev. Harrold Harrison.

**YOUNG ADULT QUARTERLY** for Seniors ages 15-24. This quarterly is written by Rev. O. T. Dixon.

**ADULT QUARTERLY** for Adults ages 25 and up. This quarterly is written by Rev. Reford Wilson.

**FREE WILL BAPTIST TEACHER.** We recommend this quarterly for the teachers of Senior and Adult classes. It is written by Rev. Dean Moore.

Plans are in the making to offer additional literature as soon as finances make it possible.

In addition we are able to furnish you with materials for the Cradle Roll, Nursery, and Beginners that are supplied us from other publishers. We offer other Sunday School helps and Six-Point Record supplies. You are invited to visit our display booth and look these materials over. Pick up an order blank while there.

The Sunday School department is a service department of the National Association. It is no longer necessary for you to send your gifts to us. Send these to other needy areas of service within our ranks, but let us have the opportunity of serving you with your Sunday School needs.

Materials will be available in the future to assist with the growth of every Free Will Baptist Sunday School. There is a tremendous task to be accomplished here and we haven't even scratched the surface. Watch for future announcements concerning these.

The National Sunday School Convention will meet this year at Denver, Colorado. It is sponsored by the National Sunday School Association. Dr. Clate Risley, known to some as Dr. Sunday School, is the Executive Secretary of this organization. The highlight of the convention is its many workshops where Sunday School scholars and teachers can obtain a greater insight into their particular division of the Sunday School. Last year forty-two Free Will Baptists registered at the Detroit Convention. Let's exceed that number this year at Denver.

We are planning our own National Sunday School Contest for 1963 and we hope that all of our churches will participate. Of course the final aim will be a growth in every Free Will Baptist Sunday School and many won to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Again accept our thanks for your support.

Respectfully submitted,  
ROGER C. REEDS, *General Director*

## Auditor's Statement:

I have examined the balance sheet of the Sunday School Department of the National Association of Free Will Baptists as of December 31, 1961 and the related statement of income and fund balance for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the accompanying balance sheet as of December 31, 1961, and the related statement of income and fund balance for the year then ended present fairly the financial position of the Sunday School Department of the National Association of Free Will Baptists in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

MORRIS B. ADKINS,  
*Certified Public Accountant,*  
JANUARY 16, 1962



# Sunday School: Balance Sheet, December 31, 1961

## ASSETS

### Current Assets

Cash.....	\$ 134.77
Accounts receivable—customers.....	359.72
Inventory of merchandise.....	262.44
Prepaid interest.....	1.25
Total Current Assets.....	\$ 758.18

### Fixed Assets

Office equipment (cost).....	\$1,617.43
Less allowance for depreciation.....	580.33
Total Fixed Assets—Net.....	1,037.10
Total Assets.....	\$1,795.28

## LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

### Current Liabilities

Accounts payable.....	\$ 111.20
Notes payable— First Americal National Bank.....	500.00
Total Current Liabilities.....	611.20
Fund Balance.....	1,184.08
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance.....	\$1,795.28

# Sunday School: Comparative Balance Sheet

	December 31, 1961	December 31, 1960	Increase (Decrease)
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash.....	\$ 134.77	\$1,991.35	(\$1,856.58)
Accounts receivable.....	359.72	350.00	9.72
Inventory.....	262.44	267.30	( 4.86)
Prepaid interest.....	1.25	10.67	( 9.42)
Total Current Assets.....	\$ 758.18	\$2,619.32	(\$1,861.14)
<b>Fixed Assets—Net</b> .....	1,037.10	790.73	246.37
Total Assets.....	\$1,795.28	\$3,410.05	(\$1,614.77)
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Accounts payable.....	111.20	148.83	( 37.63)
Notes payable.....	500.00	6,800.00	( 6,300.00)
Total Current Liabilities.....	\$ 611.20	\$6,948.83	(\$6,337.63)
Fund Balance.....	1,184.08	(3,538.78)	4,722.86
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance.....	\$1,795.28	\$3,410.05	(\$1,614.77)

# Sunday School: Income and Fund Balance, 1961

## Income

Profit on literature sales.....	\$ 9.11
Commissions on literature sales.....	3,959.20
Cooperative Plan of Support.....	2,608.13
Gifts.....	985.41
Total Income.....	\$7,561.85

## Expenses

Printing and supplies.....	235.33
Postage.....	343.48
Travel and promotion.....	1,685.03
Interest.....	62.49
Auditing.....	70.35
Depreciation.....	142.31
Rent.....	300.00
Total Expenses.....	\$2,838.99

Net Income.....	4,722.86
Fund Deficit at beginning of year.....	( 3,538.78)
Fund Balance at end of year.....	\$1,184.08

# Sunday School: Receipts and Disbursements, 1961

Cash balance, January 1, 1961.....\$1,991.35

## Receipts

Commissions on literature sales.....	\$3,959.20
Sale of supplies.....	4.25
Gifts.....	985.41
Cooperative Plan of Support.....	2,608.13
Total Receipts.....	7,556.99

Total to be accounted for.....\$9,548.34

## Disbursements

Printing and supplies.....	174.13
Postage and telephone.....	343.48
Travel and promotion.....	1,833.86
Interest.....	53.07
Auditing.....	70.35
Equipment purchased.....	388.68
Payments on loans.....	6,300.00
Rent.....	250.00
Total Disbursements.....	9,413.57

Cash balance, December 31, 1961.....\$ 134.77

# Sunday School: Proposed Budget, 1963

## Income:

Sales.....	\$106,000.00
Cooperative Plan of Support.....	1,500.00
	\$107,500.00



#### Expenditures:

Office and other salaries.....	\$ 13,050.00
Materials for resale.....	65,000.00
Board travel.....	750.00
Promotional expense.....	2,800.00
Postage and freight.....	5,000.00
Office and equipment.....	2,000.00
Telephone and telegraph.....	400.00
Utilities.....	160.00
Office maintenance.....	170.00
Auditing.....	400.00
Housing allowance or payment.....	1,200.00
National Association of Sunday Schools.....	200.00
Shipping materials.....	1,000.00
Miscellaneous.....	2,000.00
Purchase of department car.....	3,000.00
Working capital.....	10,370.00

\$107,500.00

### REPORT OF BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION

The Board of Superannuation reports a reasonably successful year.

The Board has given a considerable amount of time and study to the program of Superannuation, being aware of the importance of a retirement program for Free Will Baptist ministers, missionaries and teachers. We have made an effort to find a plan that will provide the entire retirement income when these reach age 65 or become disabled. This has been accomplished through a meeting with the officials of the Ministers Life and Casualty Union of Minneapolis, Minnesota, which plan we wish to present to you for your approval this year.

We realize that the time has come, because of the growth of Free Will Baptists through all of our national departments, when we must provide financial security for our ministers, missionaries and other full-time workers. We have a plan now whereby each one of the above may participate with no health requirements or any minimum participation requirement.

Our board has been unable to raise the entire budget for the past year although we have been able to pay all of our premiums and other operation expenses. We have not been able to provide the needed promotional work or to add to the reserve fund. We paid one death claim last year—Rev. H. L. Catrett of Colquitt, Georgia.

We wish to continue designating "Father's Day" as National Superannuation Day throughout our denomination. We ask that on this Sunday we offer a prayer for the success of the Superannuation Program, that each church conduct a memorial service or remember those of our ministers, missionaries and others who have gone to be with the Lord, and receive an offering for National Superannuation.

#### Proposed Retirement Program

A meeting between the Reverend Chester A. Huckaby, Mr. George M. Craig, Manager Group Insurance Department, Ministers Life, and Mr. Lee R. Norell, Supervisor Group Insurance Department, Ministers Life was held on May 23, 1962 to establish a retirement program for the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

The retirement program for the National Association of Free Will Baptist will provide for its participants life income after retirement. Those eligible to participate are all Free Will Baptist ministers, teachers and full-time Christian workers.

The best way to provide such a program is by funding benefits with individual annuity policies. Ministers Life has an excellent annuity policy to serve as a vehicle in this pension program. The Ministers Life Annuity Policy offers these advantages:

1. No health requirements.
2. No minimum participation requirements.

3. Premiums may vary up or down from one year to the next. The minimum premium is \$120 per year, and the maximum is \$5,000 per year.
4. Individuals may select their mode of payment (monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or annually) and vary it from one frequency to another on any contract anniversary date.
5. Individuals select their own retirement date. In case a participant is disabled, he or she may retire early and start receiving life income. The participant in good health may work as long as he or she desires to build the amount of monthly life income.
6. Premiums are not subject to Federal income tax provided they are paid by the churches or schools for their employees.
7. The participant may move from one congregation or position to another without changing his or her contract. There's no need for a new application to continue the policy.
8. Five income options are available; and each participant may select the option fitting his or her circumstances.

Option 1—Monthly income paid as long as the participant lives.

Option 2—Monthly income paid for 10 years or life, whichever is longest.

Option 3—Monthly income paid for 20 years or life, whichever is longest.

Option 4—Equal monthly payments as long as the participant (Payee) and the Alternate Payee are both living and equal monthly payments  $\frac{2}{3}$  as large for the life of the survivor.

Option 5—Monthly income paid as long as either the participant (Payee) or the Alternate Payee is living

The Alternate Payee is the person selected by the participant, before the income begins, to participate in Option 4 or 5.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER A. HUCKABY, *Chairman*

#### Auditor's Statement:

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your instructions, we have examined the books of original entry of the National Board of Superannuation—Free Will Baptist Church, for the year ended December 31, 1961. In accordance with our engagement, we prepared a Balance Sheet as of December 31, 1961, and a related statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the year then ended.

We sent thirteen (13) letters to persons or organizations from whom you had received funds. We requested them to verify amounts totaling \$2,986.18. We received three (3) answers verifying that total payments of \$847.08 agree with their respective records. We sent a letter to the Ministers Life and Casualty Union asking that said agency verify that it had received \$3,914.16 from you. We had no reply. Due to the limited replies, we can only render an audit opinion dealing with the recorded receipts and the disbursements evidenced by checks. The opinion, in the next paragraph, is exactly the same opinion as rendered by Milam and Milam, Certified Public Accountants, for the year ended December 31, 1960.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet reflects the financial position of the fund at December 31, 1961, and the statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements portrays properly the cash flow in and out of the fund for the year then ended as reflected on the books of original entry and supported by the fund's bank statements.

JAMISON, MONEY, McWHIRTER AND FARMER,  
*Certified Public Accountants, June 7, 1962*



### Superannuation: Balance Sheet, December 31, 1961

#### ASSETS

##### Current Assets:

Cash in Bank—The Citizens Bank of Fayette.....	\$ 4,946.82
Total Assets.....	\$ 4,946.82

#### LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

##### Fund Balance:

Balance at December 31, 1961.....	\$ 4,946.82
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance.....	\$ 4,946.82

### Superannuation: Receipts and Disbursements, 1961

##### Cash Receipts:

Cooperative Plan of Support.....	\$ 1,541.16
From Various States.....	2,882.87
Insurance Premiums Paid By Insured.....	1,933.08
Refund of Insurance Premiums.....	6.00
National Women's Auxiliary Convention.....	35.00
Milam & Milam, C.P.A.'s.....	25.00
Proceeds of Cancelled Insurance Policy—One Half.....	250.00
Total Cash Receipts.....	\$ 6,674.01

##### Cash Disbursements:

Insurance Premiums Paid—The Minister Life and Casualty Union.....	3,914.16
Printing.....	274.45
Secretarial Service.....	840.00
Postage and Mailing.....	506.45
Auditing.....	125.00
Traveling Expense—Secretary-Treasurer.....	70.00
Traveling Expense—Other Board Members.....	527.84
Office Supplies.....	7.08
Telephone.....	5.85
Total Cash Disbursements.....	\$ 6,270.83
Excess of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements.....	403.18
Add: Bank Balance at January 1, 1961.....	4,543.64
Cash in Bank at December 31, 1961.....	\$ 4,946.82

### Superannuation: Gifts by States, 1961

	Cooperative Plan of Support	Individual Churches
Alabama.....	\$ 36.62	\$ 228.70
Arizona.....	2.68	—
Arkansas.....	108.52	3.25
California.....	152.57	1.00
Florida.....	38.75	214.19
Georgia.....	81.65	476.53
Illinois.....	150.34	19.71

Indiana.....	5.64	—
Kentucky.....	4.07	—
Michigan.....	.30	51.19
Missouri.....	347.93	59.87
New Mexico.....	40.25	—
North Carolina.....	62.12	1,240.05
Ohio.....	7.02	—
Oklahoma.....	267.20	—
South Carolina.....	—	194.81
Tennessee.....	78.45	216.00
Texas.....	126.79	70.23
Virginia.....	30.26	107.34
Totals.....	\$ 1,541.16	\$ 2,882.87

### REPORT OF NATIONAL LEAGUE BOARD

#### Words of Praise

"Praise God from Whom all blessings flow." Without His blessings this work would be an unhappy and unprofitable task. The Lord has truly blessed this department especially during recent months. We praise Him for guidance and strength which made it possible for us to realize a noticeable measure of success.

It is through loyal Free Will Baptists that we are partly able to reach our goals from year to year. Our staff is aware of this fact and we certainly thank the Lord for the faithful ones who have stood with us during this time of transition. We sincerely hope many others will join the force in putting the "Kingdom of God First" not only in our church training program but in every phase of Christian living.

#### New Literature Program.

In October, 1961 we launched a new literature program. This came about as the result of the action of the Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, North Carolina, to discontinue giving a percentage of sales on League literature. The Board agreed to begin providing literature beginning first quarter 1962. There has been an increase in sales each quarter. We anticipate a tremendous increase in sales by first quarter 1963 when new materials for Junior High (Intermediate) and Senior High (Senior) will be written by our Free Will Baptists. The Story Hour, Junior and Adult materials are written by members of our denomination. The new devotional guide *Depth* is being received with much appreciation. Subscribers to the *League Pointer* are gradually increasing. No League can afford to be without this publication. Three new secretaries' books have been added to our line of supplies. More materials will be available in the near future.

#### Facts about Finance

The budget for 1961 was \$11,700. Total income for the year was \$19,872.89. A great portion of this was received after the Press notified us that funds were being discontinued. This is proof that our denomination is behind this very important work.

Although there was an increase in income there was also a tremendous increase in operational expenses. Until the volume of sales is raised we will *not* realize enough profit to operate and *must* have support to keep the work going. We are depending on regular monthly support from each church if we are to meet the demands of our denomination. Pastors, you can certainly lend a hand at this time by including the League work in your church budget.

#### Future Plans

Some feel the area of christian camping should be promoted by the denomination's training organization. Several workshops have been conducted under the auspices of the National League Board.

In 1963 it is hoped that plans to conduct regional League Conventions will ma-



terialize. We will need your help if we develop these new ideas. We ask your continual cooperation, prayer and financial support during the days ahead. Only God knows how much can be accomplished through training by determined and dedicated people.

Respectfully submitted,  
RAY C. TURNAGE, *Director*

#### Statement of Auditor:

I have examined the Balance Sheet of The League Board of The National Association of Free Will Baptists as of December 31, 1961 and the related Statement of Income and Fund Deficit for the year then ended. Except as indicated in the succeeding paragraph, my examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures considered necessary in the circumstances.

It was not practicable to verify the amount of contributions received from various donors; consequently, my examination of receipts was limited to the books and records of the Board.

In my opinion, subject to the qualification indicated above, the accompanying Balance Sheet and Statement of Income and Fund Deficit present fairly the financial position of the League Board of The National Association of Free Will Baptists at December 31, 1961 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

MORRIS B. ADKINS,  
*Certified Public Accountant*  
March 20, 1962

#### League: Balance Sheet, December 31, 1961

ASSETS	
<i>Current Assets</i>	
Cash.....	\$2,000.72
Accounts receivable—customers.....	2,546.43
Employee advance.....	110.50
Inventory—	
Office supplies.....	\$ 144.61
Merchandise.....	587.26
	<u>731.87</u>
Total Current Assets.....	\$5,389.52
<i>Fixed Assets</i>	
Office equipment.....	1,075.97
Less accumulated depreciation.....	522.54
	<u>553.43</u>
Total Fixed Assets—Net.....	
Total Assets.....	<u>\$5,942.95</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND DEFICIT	
<i>Current Liabilities</i>	
Note payable—bank.....	\$4,000.00
Accounts payable—	
Trade creditors.....	\$3,323.39
College Kitchen Campaign.....	181.19
	<u>3,504.58</u>
Payroll taxes.....	229.49
Total Current Liabilities.....	7,734.07
Fund Deficit.....	(1,791.12)
Total Liabilities and Fund Deficit.....	<u>\$5,942.95</u>

#### League: Income and Fund Deficit, 1961

<i>Income</i>	
Sale of literature, books and supplies.....	\$4,937.18
10% of League Offerings.....	2,280.61
Budget contributions.....	415.71
Subscriptions to LEAGUE POINTER.....	851.98
"Expanding Our Horizons" Campaign.....	4,514.71
Commission on literature sales.....	2,935.30
League Conference receipts.....	473.00
Cooperative plan of support.....	2,671.63
Honorariums and travel.....	792.77
	<u>\$19,872.89</u>
Total Income.....	
<i>Expenses</i>	
Printing and purchases for resale.....	4,915.78
Office supplies.....	245.53
Postage.....	478.28
National Director's salary.....	4,200.00
Housing allowance.....	600.00
Other salaries.....	2,511.47
Interest expense.....	230.08
Auditing.....	60.00
Miscellaneous expense.....	247.36
League convention and travel expense.....	2,249.27
Headquarters maintenance.....	960.70
Employees' insurance.....	176.20
Depreciation.....	88.32
Payroll taxes.....	243.20
	<u>\$17,206.19</u>
Total Expenses.....	
Net Income for the year.....	2,666.70
Fund Deficit, January 1, 1961.....	( 4,457.82)
Fund Deficit, December 31, 1961.....	<u>(\$ 1,791.12)</u>

#### League: Proposed Budget, 1963

<i>Estimated Income:</i>	
Cooperative Plan Support.....	\$ 5,400.00
10% League offerings or Budget Contributions.....	5,600.00
League Pointer Subscriptions.....	850.00
Sale of Promotional Items.....	1,250.00
Honorariums and travel expense refunds.....	1,400.00
Income from sale of literature.....	20,500.00
	<u>\$35,000.00</u>
<i>Expenditures:</i>	
<i>Salaries</i>	
National Director.....	\$4,200.00
Secretarial Help.....	2,500.00
Bookkeeper.....	750.00
Writers.....	2,300.00
Part-time workers.....	350.00
	<u>\$10,100.00</u>



Purchases for re-sale.....	2,500.00
Office supplies.....	1,200.00
Printing.....	13,200.00
Postage.....	1,250.00
Travel Expense.....	500.00
Purchase of Car.....	2,000.00
Office equipment.....	450.00
Headquarters Maintenance.....	1,000.00
Auditing.....	250.00
National Association and Regional Conferences.....	200.00
Promotional Expense.....	250.00
Social Security and Insurance.....	250.00
Contributions (Camp Commission, National Youth Commission).....	100.00
Debt Retirement.....	1,500.00
Miscellaneous.....	150.00
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	\$35,000.00

## CONSTITUTION

### of the National Association of Free Will Baptists

#### PREAMBLE

From experience we, the members of the Free Will Baptist demonination, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Jesus Christ and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us; to preserve and maintain correspondence and coordination with us; to unify the work of the various bodies composing the National Association; and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in cooperation with the various bodies of the Association, or that may be hereafter represented therein, do herefore ordain this Constitution for our better denominational government.

#### ARTICLE I

##### NAME

This organizaion shall be known as the National Association of Free Will Baptists of the United States of America.

#### ARTICLE II

##### MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership in the National Association is generally based upon affiliation of the several State Associations with the National Association. When a State Association is affiliated with the National Association, according to the process described in the by-laws, its various district associations, local churches, with their members and ministers, are also members of the National Association.

Section 2. Membership in the National Association is similarly open to any district association and its constituency in a state which does not have a state association that is affiliated with the National Association and which does not belong to a state association of another state which is affiliated with the National Association.

Section 3. Membership in the National Association is similarly open to a local church and its constituency in a state which has no district or state association that is affiliated with the National Association and that does not belong to an organization in another state which is affiliated with the National Association.

Section 4. Membership in the National Association is similarly open to local churches or associations and their constituencies in any other countries of continental North America.

#### ARTICLE III

##### REPRESENTATION

Voting representation in the National Association, at any session, shall be by delegates from the various organizations which hold membership in the National Association according to the provisions of Article II, and upon the payment of fees described in the by-laws. Delegates are of two kinds: Standing delegates, who are the ordained ministers and missionaries in good standing with an affiliated organization, the officers of the National Association, and the members of the various boards, commissions, and committees of the National Association; and Lay delegates who are the elected representatives of the various organizations affiliated with the National Association, according to the provisions of the by-laws.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### OFFICERS

The officers of this National Association shall consist of a moderator, an assistant moderator, a clerk, an assistant clerk, and an executive secretary who shall also serve as treasurer, each of whom shall be elected at the close of each regular session, except the executive secretary who shall be elected every two years.



## ARTICLE V

### THE GENERAL BOARD AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. Power to act in behalf of and for the National Association from one regular session to another shall be vested in the General Board of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Section 2. The General Board shall be composed of the general officers of the National Association and the chairmen of all standing boards. The National Association shall also elect one member from each affiliated state association, with each state being allowed the privilege of recommending its representative to the General Board. In the case of district associations directly affiliated with the National Association according to the provision of Article II, Section 2, one member to the General Board shall be elected by the National Association from that state, irrespective of the number of district associations within the state. The president of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention and the director of the Laymen's Commission shall be ex-officio members of the General Board.

The terms of office of those chosen to represent states shall be so arranged that those representing states beginning with the letters "A" through "M" shall expire alternately with those representing states beginning with the letters "N" through "Z".

Section 3. The Executive Committee of the General Board shall be composed of the moderator, assistant moderator, and clerk of the National Association, with four other members to be elected annually from and by the General Board. The purpose of this committee shall be to serve as the executive arm of the General Board and the National Association. The nature of its work shall be executive and promotional rather than legislative.

## ARTICLE VI

### MEETINGS

Section 1. The National Association shall hold its regular meetings annually at the time and place determined by the Association while in session.

Section 2. The General Board shall meet annually, immediately prior to the annual session of the National Association at a time and place announced by the moderator.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall meet semi-annually, one meeting to be held immediately prior to the annual meeting of the General Board, and the other at a time and place determined by the Committee.

Section 4. Special meetings of the General Board or Executive Committee shall be called when necessary by the moderator with the written consent of three other members of the Executive Committee. Special meetings of the General Board shall also be called upon the written request of one-fourth of its members. Special meetings of the Executive Committee shall also be called upon the written request of a majority of its members.

## ARTICLE VII

### AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the National Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided proposed amendment or alteration be presented in writing to the body one day in advance.

## BY-LAWS

### MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The procedure for becoming a member of the National Association shall be as follows: An organization which is eligible shall present a written application to the Executive Secretary, stating that it has been filed by the majority vote of the body and signed by the officials of the body. The Executive Secretary may make any investigation he feels necessary and shall in turn make

recommendation to the General Board. The National Association shall vote upon the recommendation of the General Board.

Section 2. All organizations affiliated directly with the National Association shall be required to adopt the *Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists* as adopted by the National Association, and the application for membership must contain a statement to the effect.

## REPRESENTATION

Section 3. It shall be the duty of each body directly affiliated with the National Association to send a letter to every annual session of the Association, reporting its statistics on a form provided by the National Association. Any body which fails to do this for two successive sessions may be dismissed from the association by a majority vote of members present.

Section 4. Each affiliated state association shall be entitled to five lay delegates to the National Association, upon payment of the representation fee of \$25.00, plus \$5.00 per district association affiliated with it. Any district association which is affiliated directly with the National Association, under the provision of Article II, Section 2, of the Constitution, shall be entitled to three lay delegates, upon the payment of a representation fee of \$25.00. Each local church which is affiliated under any of the provisions for membership is entitled to one lay messenger, upon the payment of a representation fee of \$10.00.

## DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 5. The duties of the moderator shall include presiding at the meetings of the National Association, the General Board, and the Executive Committee; to call special meetings of the General Board or Executive Committee when the conditions of Article VI, Section 4, of the Constitution are fulfilled; to appoint such committees as are created without provision for their selection; to announce the time and place for the meetings of the General Board and Executive Committee; and in general, to fulfill whatever responsibilities may be commensurate with his office or delegated to him by the body.

Section 6. The duties of the assistant moderator shall include presiding at the request of, or in the absence of, the moderator and assisting him in such ways as may be necessary.

Section 7. The duties of the clerk shall include the preparation of minutes for the proceedings of all meetings of the National Association, the General Board, and the Executive Committee; and the handling of such official correspondence for the Association as he may be directed.

Section 8. The duties of the assistant clerk shall be to act for the clerk at the meetings of the National Association and General Board in his absence or at his request and to assist the clerk in whatever ways may be necessary.

Section 9. The duties of the Executive Secretary shall be as follows:

A. Promotion and publicity of denominational enterprises.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary to promote the program of each of the agencies of the National Association as arranged by the different boards or departments, and as approved by the National Association. To this end, he shall be expected to travel as widely as possible among our people and to attend meetings of the districts or states.

B. Fulfill those duties commensurate with his office.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary to fulfill all duties which normally and naturally belong to his office. This shall include the execution of those specific responsibilities laid upon him by the Executive Committee or the National Association, and the presentation of those plans and procedures to his committee which he feels would be effective in the denomination.

C. Editor of national publication.

The Executive Secretary shall serve as editor of the national publication (*Contact*.) He shall use this publication as a medium to foster unity among our churches and to promote the general program of the National Association.



#### D. Cooperative Plan.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary to promote the Cooperative Plan of Support. He is further charged with the responsibility of receiving and disbursing these funds, and in general to serve as the treasurer of the National Association.

#### E. Coordination.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary to coordinate, as much as possible, the work of the various boards. In this capacity, he shall serve as an ex-officio member of each standing board, acting only in an advisory capacity.

#### F. Represent denomination to other bodies.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary to officially represent the National Association to other bodies when in the interest of our denomination.

#### G. Direct book store operation.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary to direct the operation of a denominational book store. Books and supplies of general interest to our people will be stocked, and the entire operation will be under the direction of the Executive Committee.

#### H. The National Association sessions.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary to report annually to the National Association; to plan and promote the programs of the annual sessions of the National Association; to enrol and establish a record of all authorized ministers and delegates at each session of the National Association; to be responsible for the printing and distribution of the minutes of each annual session of the National Association; and to investigate possible sites for future sessions of the National Association.

#### I. Supervision of Headquarters Building.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary to supervise the maintenance of the Headquarters Building. This includes such things as upkeep, collection of prorated maintenance costs, supervision of the custodian, care of the mailing room, and all other matters which might come under the scope of this responsibility.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 10. No person shall fill more than one office at the same time, or any office and a place on any standing board, except as he may become a member of the General Board by virtue of his office. No person shall serve on more than one standing board at the same time, except as he may become a member of the General Board by virtue of being chairman of the board of which he is an elected member. No member of the Executive Committee may be a member of any standing board except the General Board.

Section 11. The procedure for the election of officers of the National Association shall be as follows: The nominating committee which is selected at the beginning of the annual session shall present a name or names to the assembly for every vacant office, including members of all standing boards and commissions, members of the General Board on Wednesday afternoon of the annual session, and nominations for other offices on Wednesday or Thursday afternoons.

After the committee's report the floor shall be open for further nominations and the election shall proceed in regular manner.

Section 12. The General Board shall have power to fill irregular vacancies that may occur in its own body, or in any department of the work between sessions of the National Association. When such is necessary, the procedure shall be as follows: The Executive Committee shall serve as a nominating committee and shall circulate ballots by mail to each general board member with the names of the nominees. These ballots shall be marked by the general board members, notarized, and returned to the Executive Secretary.

### THE GENERAL BOARD AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 13. It shall be the responsibility of the General Board to make written reports of all its work to each annual session of the National Association, and it shall be responsible to that body for all its actions. Should necessity arise from war, or pestilence, or any cause which prevents a regular meeting of the National Association, whether such a condition is of a local or general condition, then the General Board shall be privileged to call and act with full authority in all matters pertaining to the general welfare of the National Association, providing whatever transactions passed shall be by two-thirds vote of the members present, and providing that such transactions shall not conflict with the purpose and edicts of the constitution and by-laws of the National Association.

Section 14. The General Board shall review the annual reports and budgets of all Boards at its regular session before these reports are presented to the National Association.

Section 15. The Executive Committee shall make written reports of its work to the General Board and shall be responsible to that body for all its actions. *It shall not have power to commit the National Association to any course of action or policy not authorized by the National Association, nor to reverse any action of the National Association.* Consequently, its work shall be to implement the policies and plans of the National Association; to publicize and promote the work of the National Association and its various departments; to arrange the agenda and program for the annual meetings of the National Association; to supervise and transact the business connected with the operation of the office of the Executive Secretary; to make plans and recommendations to the General Board for the advancement of the denomination; and to fulfill whatever other responsibilities may be delegated by the General Board or National Association.

The Executive Committee shall arrange the working contract of the Executive Secretary, who shall assist in carrying out the work of the Executive Committee.

### STANDING BOARDS

Section 16. In addition to the General Board, the National Association shall perpetuate the following standing boards; The Board of Trustees of Free Will Baptist Bible College, the Foreign Mission Board, the Home Mission Board, the Free Will Baptist League Board, the Board of Superannuation, the Sunday School Board, and a Board of Trustees who shall be legal custodians of all property belonging to the National Association, except in the case of those boards of the National Association which are authorized by action of the association to be incorporated.

Section 17. Each of these boards except the Board of Trustees of the Bible College, shall be composed of five members who are elected by the National Association according to an arrangement whereby each member has a term of office for five years, and their terms are arranged so that only one member's term expires annually.

Section 18. The Board of Trustees of Free Will Baptist Bible College shall be composed of nine members who are elected by the National Association according to an arrangement whereby each member has a term of office for six years, and their terms are arranged so that they expire in groups of threes biennially.

Section 19. The various standing boards shall plan a program and supervise their operations in their respective fields, and shall be responsible for all their actions to the National Association of Free Will Baptists. Each board shall operate under its own constitution (or charter) and by-laws, which must be approved by the National Association.

Section 20. Each standing board shall prepare a budget of its proposed financial expenditures at the beginning of each fiscal year and shall present same for approval of the National Association along with an audit made by an independent certified public accountant which audit shall lead to the expression of an unqualified opinion on the financial statements. The auditor's report shall include, where applicable, a balance sheet and income statement and other schedules as may be necessary for a proper presentation of the financial condition and results of operation.



## COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Section 21. When the National Association deems it wise, commissions may be established to perform a specific service in a restricted area on a more-or-less permanent basis. The number of members of any commission shall be decided by vote of the National Association, and the members shall be elected by the Association. Terms of office for all members of commissions shall be five years (except when the commission is originally established the member last elected shall serve a one-year term; the next member a two-year term; and so on); and their terms shall be so arranged that only one member's term expires annually.

Section 22. Various committees shall also be constituted, when need arises, by the National Association, General Board, or Executive Committee, to function for a more definite period of time in a specific area. The number of members of any committee shall be determined by the assembly. Committee members shall be appointed by the moderator unless otherwise provided by the action creating the committee; and they shall hold office for the length of time provided, or until their work is completed, or until they are released, or their successors chosen.

Section 23. The following committees shall be used annually in the sessions of the General Board and National Association:

A. The credentials committee, which is identical with the General Board (although the Board may select a smaller committee of its members for this duty if it chooses.) This committee has as its duty the examination of all letters to the National Association and the credentials of the various delegates. The committee shall make recommendations to the Association concerning the seating of delegates.

B. The nominating committee, whose duties are provided in Section 10 of the by-laws.

C. The resolutions committee, who shall receive and present worthwhile resolutions to the National Association.

D. The temperance committee, who shall present worthwhile resolutions to the National Association in the area of temperance.

E. The placement committee, who shall review invitations and make recommendations to the National Association concerning the selection of a site for future sessions. Sites are to be selected two years in advance when possible. The Executive Secretary shall be an ex-officio member of this committee.

F. The budget committee, who shall make recommendation to the National Association concerning the total denominational budget and the allocation of Cooperative Plan receipts. This committee shall consist of the Executive Secretary and the directors of the work of the various departments which receive monies through the Cooperative Plan of Support.

## SUBSIDIARY ORGANIZATIONS

Section 24. Two organizations, the Laymen's Commission and the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention, shall be recognized as subordinate organizations to the National Association. They shall organize at their own discretion, and have power to create and adopt their respective constitutions and by-laws, and maintain complete management of the work for which they are constituted. The scope and character of the work of these organizations shall conform to the general program and promotional plan of the National Association. They shall report their accomplishments and their financial operations annually to the National Association.

## QUORUM

Section 25. Two-fifths of its members shall constitute a quorum for any meeting of the General Board. Four members shall constitute a quorum for any meeting of the Executive Committee.

## PROXY AND VOTING BY MAIL

Section 26. No voting shall be done by proxy in meetings of the National Association. Proxy representation shall be accepted for meetings of the General Board and Executive Committee, upon the presentation to the moderator of a statement signed by the member, designating the proxy representative.

Section 27. When a ballot of the General Board must be taken by mail, it shall be approved by the Executive Committee and circulated by the Executive Secretary to all members who shall have their vote notarized.

## DISCIPLINE

Section 28. This National Association shall have the right to settle any questions of discipline, doctrine or practice that may properly come before it from any of the bodies composing said organization of the National Association of Free Will Baptist, or act upon any appeal that may be made by any body belonging to the National Association. Said appeal shall have been written and properly signed by the constituent body or bodies and filed with the Executive Secretary.

The Executive Secretary shall in turn present it to the Executive Committee who shall make recommendation to the General Board. The General Board shall, at its discretion, hear the appeal and shall make recommendation to the National Association as to the course of action it deems best. The National Association may, in turn, hear the case by resolving itself into a committee of the whole, from which meeting all but delegates and parties concerned shall be excluded; or it may vote on the report of the General Board without discussion.

Section 29. The decision of the National Association in such matters shall be final; that is, it cannot be appealed, nor can the same issue be raised again except in one of the two following ways: The National Association may vote to reconsider and then refer the matter back to the General Board; or after the vote to reconsider it may again resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

Section 30. Any action which the National Association may take cannot reverse the action of any member body, although it may act in a hortatory and advisory capacity toward that end. Actual disciplinary action upon a member body can deal only with the member's rights as a member of the body; and in this vein the National Association may refuse to seat the delegates from a member body for a session of the Association or may ultimately withdraw fellowship from the member. The only members of the National Association who can be disciplined are those who are affiliated directly according to the membership provisions of Article II of the Constitution. Thus, in the case of those who are affiliated under the provision of Section 1 of that article, only the state associations may be disciplined; in the case of those affiliated under the provision of Section 2, only the district associations may be disciplined; and the case of those affiliated under the provisions of Section 3, only the local church may be disciplined.

## HONORARIA AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Section 31. The moderator and clerk shall receive an honorarium of \$50.00 annually, plus travel expenses to the annual session. The assistant moderator or assistant clerk shall receive the same benefits in the absence of either the moderator or the clerk from the session of the National Association.

Section 32. When a special meeting of the General Board is called the National Association shall assume the actual travel expenses of the members or their proxies, not to exceed 6¢ per mile plus meals and lodging. The same provision shall be made for all meetings of the Executive Committee except for the one which convenes immediately prior to the regular annual meeting of the General Board and National Association.

## PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Section 33. The meetings of the National Association and General Board shall be governed by the rules of parliamentary law as set forth in Robert's *Rules of Order*, except in the case of those rules which are superseded by some rule of these organizations.



# AMENDMENTS

Section 34. These by-laws may be amended or altered at any regular session of the National Association by a majority vote of the members present, provided proposed amendment or alteration be presented in writing to the body one day in advance.

## STANDING RULES

of the

### National Association, General Board, And Executive Committee

1. Each session of the National Association shall be called into conference by the clerk, or assistant clerk, or in their absence the senior minister in years; and if a quorum is present, charge shall be then taken by the moderator, or assistant moderator, or in their absence the senior minister in years.
2. Each meeting of these bodies shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and with prayer, and shall be closed with prayer.
3. All meetings of these bodies shall convene with open doors except when resolved into committees of the whole.
4. Any person not a member of these bodies may be allowed to take part in the discussions by obtaining permission from the moderator.
5. It shall be the duty of all members of these bodies to be present at the time appointed for each meeting, and anyone wishing to retire shall first obtain permission of the moderator.
6. The moderator shall not allow discussions carried on in a spirit which is not Christian or orderly.
7. No member shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes or more than twice on the same subject in meetings of the National Association and General Board without permission from the moderator.
8. At sessions of the National Association, the moderator shall seat delegates in a body in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of each business meeting.
9. At any meeting of the General Board or Executive Committee a member may have his dissenting vote recorded in the minutes by his request.

STATE	Associations	Churches	Membership	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Deacons	Sunday Schools	Sunday School Enrolment	Leagues	League Enrolment	Master's Men	Woman's Auxiliaries	Auxiliary Membership	Spent for Local Causes	Spent for Outside Causes	Value of Church Property	Parsonages	Value of Parsonage and Property	Value of Denominational Property
Alabama	12	171	16,327	225	17	513	151	7,392	63	2,080	6	44	551	\$ 247,438.00	\$ 57,944.00	\$ 1,604,633.00	13	\$ 121,500.00	\$ 155,000.00
Alaska		2	35	3	1	1	2	75			1	2	20	11,700.00		30,000.00	1		
Arizona		6	325																
Arkansas	12	184	14,478	311	35	550	179	10,225	84	3,261	9	50	770	270,314.49	21,711.94	1,270,050.00	18		35,000.00
California	4	74	4,366	136	26	209	74	5,490	48	590	14	50	486	1,153,772.31	31,768.05	1,450,650.10	26	239,500.00	
Colorado		1	65	2	1	3	1	107						8,151.29	130.50	31,500.00			
Florida	7	72	4,851	88	2		69	3,549	39	1,489	6	34	417	202,827.98	23,620.56	836,296.00	8	72,500.00	65,000.00
Georgia	7	126	11,479				110	6,401	74	3,058	14	54	688	303,860.09	8,115.15	50,000.00	18	1,717,366.00	
Hawaii		1	25	1			1	55			1	1	11	1,630.89	451.00	600.00			
Idaho		1	64	2	2	4	1	50	1					3,632.08	287.91	18,000.00	1	4,000.00	
Illinois	2	37	2,949	74	11	129		2,524		353			221	83,860.41	15,726.06	620,000.00	2	29,000.00	40,000.00
Indiana	1	10	843	29	4	22	10	718	5	166	1	4	74	18,589.33	3,024.44	170,500.00	1		
Iowa		1	65	1		1	1	109	1	71				2,507.30	848.88	10,000.00	1		
Kansas	2	7	420	9	3	10	7	594	7	192	2	6	70	37,940.00	1,658.59	87,000.00	3	24,000.00	
Kentucky	8	108	9,539	205	3	102	60	4,057	11	145	1	9	118	81,047.39	3,029.07	919,700.00	3	15,000.00	
Maine	1	2	165		4		4		2		2	2					1		
Michigan	2	24	3,269				24	4,218		421			300	37,502.13	13,778.30				
Mississippi	1	22	3,067	14	2	115	21	1,780	11	490	2	8	82	96,350.00	8,450.00	300,000.00	5	50,000.00	20,000.00
Missouri	10	134	10,412	172	32	314	112	7,746	53	2,027		35	619	131,115.45	28,583.64	1,273,353.00			35,000.00
New Hampshire	1	2	100																
New Mexico	1	5	229	9		4	5	355	4		2	3	30	8,584.27	1,987.12	64,000.00	1	7,500.00	
North Carolina	7	125	12,000	150	30									5,440.00	7,300.00				
Ohio	3	90	5,231	172	17	88	90	5,453	41	175	2	21	239	84,893.93	3,903.83	510,544.93	1	9,000.00	10,000.00
Old Mexico	1	5	489	3	6	4	5	500	4	240		3	64	1,342.70	416.00		2		19,500.00
Oklahoma	16	214	27,050	603	175	688	203	17,442	129	4,160	49	95	937	566,870.98	199,676.53	2,816,500.00	96	291,250.00	123,750.00
South Carolina	4	68	6,954	90	15	230	68	8,000	40	3,500	8	38	750	244,816.00	42,700.00	1,134,756.00	21	150,000.00	75,000.00
Tennessee	3	145	15,380	192	48	580	140	12,586	80	4,028	18	57	923	521,152.05	55,413.98	2,455,100.00	31	102,500.00	24,000.00
Texas	7	62	4,709	83	7	192		2,935	39		12	37		159,046.69	12,625.53	873,767.00	10	64,900.00	
Virginia	4	111	6,689	214	25		107	2,616	42		1	21	350	21,825.18	16,947.45	70,500.00			
Washington		2	110	3		4	2	151	2	55		1	9	15,568.45	459.19	42,000.00	1	8,000.00	
West Virginia	17	162	7,021	338	35		158	10,540	24	452		42				872,059.59	4	38,000.00	370,512.59
Totals	133	1,974	168,706	3,129	501	3,763	1,605	115,668	804	26,982	151	617	7,729	\$ 4,321,779.49	\$ 560,557.72	\$17,511,509.62	268	\$ 2,944,016.00	\$ 972,762.59

NOTE: This statistical report does not reflect the true status of the denomination due to incomplete reports from state clerks. The clerks of local churches, Quarterly Meetings, District Associations and State Associations are urged to use the special forms which have been prepared for these reports. They may be ordered from the Free Will Baptist Book Store, 3801 Richland Avenue, Nashville 5, Tennessee.