

New Hope District of Arkansas annual Meeting Minutes 154th Session
South Heights Free Will Baptist Church, Searcy, Arkansas
March 19, 2022 9:30 AM

The New Hope District of Arkansas met for the annual meeting on March 19, 2022 for the 154th annual session of the district. There were 32 people in attendance. Seven churches were represented by both person and letter/dues. In addition to standing delegates, there were 10 delegates representing local churches. Buck Hohenstein led the congregational singing, accompanied on piano by Debe Head, beginning the day with "I'll Fly Away". Moderator Michael Morrison gave opening remarks and called on Jan Morrison to read the local church letters. Both Morrisons spoke of "grace" that would need to permeate this meeting as they are handling a family situation with the health of Jan's mom. There would be no current financial report. Any items of business should be given to Jan during the break. Jan also mentioned the opportunity to set up a table representing New Hope at the State Meeting.

New Hope had the very special experience of having two old friends speak during the services. Daniel Young, pastor of Mt. Bethel, was introduced by his friend from youth, Steven Shotzman, whom God had used to lead Daniel to the Lord in high school days. Later, Daniel would introduce Steven to speak. A very amazing God connection between those two was the undertone of the day as we had a peak into just how God uses us for His purposes and we are intertwined within His plans for us. Daniel spoke from I Samuel 17 (David and Goliath) and looked at that familiar passage through the eyes of the Gospel. (Champion is conquered, God's people respond, the gates won't stand, and Christ is victorious). Bro. Michael closed the session in prayer and during the break, the executive committee met with three men who were either to be ordained or transfer from another district their credentials of ordination.

Session Two began with congregational singing of "Glad Reunion Day" and "Heaven's Jubilee", which was a perfect segue to the annual moment of silence and dedicated prayer for those who had passed away from the New Hope District. Bro. Joel Kircher, pastor of Center Point, prayed the memorial prayer. An offering was received (\$124.00) and the offertory prayer was given by Loy Wells. Bro. Steven Shotzman, representing Harvest Childcare Ministries, spoke during this session. Bro. Steven used Romans 8:28 as he shared about the work in Mexico and also examples of God's work in his own life. After the message, our business meeting began.

Business items included a rising vote of thanks to South Heights for hosting our meeting. The executive board recommended John Cross (to move from licensed to ordained Mt. Bethel), Robert McClure (ordained transferring from Saline Association to Chapel Lane) and Daniel Young (ordained transferring from Unity Association to Mt. Bethel) to be officially accepted into our association. The board also recommended we give \$200 to Harvest Childcare Ministries. These items were voted and passed by the body.

David Taylor from the State Office brought several items to the body's attention. All 7 New Hope churches have contributed to ACTS 1:8 and COOP. There are currently 28 FWB churches without pastors. The 125th session of ARK FWB will be May 16th and 17th. There will be several special things including a banquet which will need to be preregistered for. Bro. David also mentioned the Rekindle and Refresh program as well as the FWB retirement program. Travis Alexander from the State missions spoke about the upcoming missions conference on April 22 & 23 which will feature our 9 foreign and 1 home missionaries from Arkansas.

Other items of business were the re-election of Michael Morrison (Moderator), Mike Lyles (Asst moderator) and Jan Morrison (Clerk). Executive Board members elected were David Copeland and Daniel Young. The board currently is David Copeland (4 years), Daniel Young (3 years), Mike Lyles (2 years) and Joel Kircher (1 year). Moderator is ex officio. Youth board elected Robert McClure. This board is currently Robert McClure (3 years), Debe Head (2 years), and Jackie Fowlkes (1 year). Mt Bethel volunteered to host our next meeting on September 10th. Abby Cross will be the New Hope delegate to the National. Kristi Copeland will be the New Hope delegate to the State Meeting. David Copeland was given the power to add up to 4 New Hope delegates during the State Meeting if there are others to attend. Information was given about both district and state CTS competitions. David Copeland dismissed the meeting with prayer.

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2021-2022

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Center Point
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Pulaski
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