

Feb. 18, 1960

The New River Conference of F.W.B. met at Essex, Md. for the purpose of organizing a church.

The conference was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. H.C. Childers, with scripture reading by Rev. Lester Horton and prayer by Rev. Amos Richardson.

Rev. Lester Horton presented the Bible to the church.

Rev. J.K. Childers read the Articles of Faith and Church Covenant.

Rev. Elzo Betton offered the prayer of consecration.

The By-laws of the New River Conference was read by the Clerk and accepted by vote of the church.

Rev. J.K. Childers explained the Articles of Faith.

The Church was named Harmony F.W.B. Church. with the following Members - And Officers

Alvin Goins, Hazel Goins, Joyce Fortner, Stanley Fortner, George Hedford, Janice Hedford, Bill Caudill, Noah Nicks and Wanda Nicks.

Church Officers

Noah Nicks - pastor

Stanley Fortner - Deacon

George Hedford - Deacon and Sunday S. superintendent

Alvin Goins - Clerk

Hazel Goins - Treas.

Bro. Noah Hicks was brought before
the Council and examined ^{for Minister} by Rev.
H. C. Childers -

Ordination prayer by - Rev. Hester Horton
Charge given by - " J. K. Childers
Bible presented by - " Elzo Bevan
Certificates signed by -
Rev. H. C. Childers
" J. K. Childers
" Elzo Bevan
Dea - Joe Miller
" Sidney Sturgill

Bros. Stanley Fortner and George Sedford
was called before the Council and
examined for the office of Deacon

Ordaining Prayer by. Rev. J. K. Childers
Bible presented " " Hester Horton
Charge given " " Elzo Bevan

Rev. Harmon Franklin Nalinger
R # 1, Clifton, Va. was called before
the Council and examined, and issued
F. W. B. Credentials in lieu of one
issued by a Missionary Baptist
Church.

Conference closed by prayer

Rev. W. C. Childers, Mod.
Sidney Sturgill, Clerk

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August 19, 1960

The New River Conference ~~met~~
 of Free Will Baptist met with
 New Home Church and the Conference
 was opened with scripture reading
 by Rev. Lester Horton and prayer
 by Rev. Noah Hicks.

A welcome to the Conference
 from New Home Church was given
 by Rev. J. K. Childers, Pastor.

The Clerk declared the Moderator
 Chair vacant and Rev. J. K. Childers
 was elected moderator, and Rev.
 H. C. Childers was appointed assistant
 moderator.

Corresponding messengers were called
 for and there were none present.

Visiting ~~Brother~~ Brethren were invited
 to seats as advisory members and the
 following were seated:

Rev. Cecil J. Higgins, Elizabethton, Tenn.

Rev. Ovince Miller, Burnsville, Rt 4 - N.C.

Rev. George Miller, Burnsville, Rt 4 - N.C.

All members of the Jacks Creek
 Association of Free Will Baptist

Letters from the Churches was called
 for and the following Churches with
 delegates responded - Fairwood Church and
 delegates - James Dills, Lattie Horton, Cecil
 Moore - Welcome Home Church - delegates
 Gentry Phipps, Roy Evans, Kyle Settle, Herbert
 Main, Melvin Childers - Calvary Church
 + delegates, Ralph Spangler - Earl Dillard
 Gilbert Miller.

Harmony Church & Delegates
 Alvin Gains, Hazel Gains, Jayce Fortner
 Chloe Fox

New Home Church & delegates -
 John Absher & Elizabeth Cox & Hazel Brown
 Letter from the Churches
 read before the conference.

Welcome Home Church requested
 ordination for one of its licensed
 ministers. ~~to wit~~ Bro Robert Dowell

Moved and carried the next
 Conference meet with Calvary Church,
 Glendale Springs, N.C.

Moved & carried, That the Moderator
 pick the pulpit committee - To wit.
 Bro. Sidney H. Sturgill, Kyle Settle
 and John Absher.

Moved & carried - The business
 session recess until 10 A.M. August 20,
 1960.

Rev. James K. Childers preach the
 introductory sermon "Our Greatest Concern"

10 A.M. August 20, 1960

This session was opened with scripture
 reading & prayer.

The Ministers Reports was called
 for and read before the conference.

The following was elected to the
 Council for three (3) years -

Rev. Amos Richardson, Rev. Noah Hicks
 Rev. J. C. Childers.

Moved & carried - That 200 minutes
 be printed.

Moved & carried - Bro. J. K. Childers
 and Joe Miller be committee to get

Minutes printed.

Moved and Carried that the Clerk to write and request that the credentials of ministers, which have left the Free Hill Baptist and no longer support the movement, be returned - To wit:

Louis Blum - Bel Air, Rt. 3, Md.

Willard Dixon - Bel Air Rt 3, Md.

Joe Childers - Aberdeen Rt 1, Md.

Ford Childers - Aberdeen Rt 1, Md.

It was ~~also~~ noted that Rev. Elgo Bevan had moved to an Alabama F.W.B. Conference.

Bro. Hubert Nowell stated that ~~that~~ he felt that he could comply with the Conference bylaws concerning Ordination.

Moved and Carried that the Council examine Bro. Nowell for ordination. Bro. Nowell was called onto prock before the Conference. He was then called before the Council and examined for his knowledge of the Word and Ministry. The Council was satisfied with the examination and voted to proceed with the ordination.

Rev. H.C. Childers, conducted examination

Rev. Lester Norton - prayed ordaining prayer

Rev. J.K. Childers - gave the Charge

Rev. Quince Miller - presented the Bible.

Moved and Carried That the Conference Adjourn for lunch.

Rev. Grover McArthur opened the After Noon session with Scripture Reading and prayer by Bro. Hentry Phipps.

Moved & Carried - The money with the Church letters be divided between Moderator & clerk.

Moved & Carried - Rev. Hubert Howell preach the Introductory - Rev. W.C. Childers Alternate.

Moved & Carried - the just read minutes be accepted as the work of the Conference and clerk to record them in the minute book.

Moved & Carried - Conference adjourn until next regular session.

Rev - James K. Childers Mod,
Selwyn J. Tugill, Clerk.

List of Ministers - Address -

✓	Rev - J.C. Childers -	Street, Md
XX	" Amos Richardson -	Perryman, Md.
XX	" Glenn Smith -	Bel Air, Md.
✓	" John Johnson -	Jappa - Md.
✓	" Brown McCarter -	Clifton, Va.
✓	" Herman Salinger -	Clifton, Va.
✓	" Lester Horton -	Rt 4, Box 556A Fairfax, Va.
✓	" Noah Hicks -	Middle River, Md.
✓	" James K. Childers -	Troutdale, Va.
✓	" Jesse L. Cox -	Piney Creek, N.C.
<u>Deceased</u>	" B.H. Williams -	Piney Creek, N.C.

Council

		Term expires
Rev -	J.C. Childers	1963
"	Amos Richardson	1963
"	Noah Hicks	1963
"	B.H. Williams	1962 ✓
"	James K. Childers	1961 ✓
"	Lester Horton	1962
Dea.	Joe Miller	1962
"	John Barnes	1961 ✓