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CONSTITUTION
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Preamble

The purpose of this organization shall be the establishment and maintenance of a voluntary association of autonomous Free Will Baptist churches, quarterly meetings (or any other meetings), district associations or conferences or any and all additional organizations - area, district or state-wide that may be deemed essential to the prosecution and promotion of the general purpose and program of this association. Included also in the purpose of this association is affiliation with the National Association of Free Will Baptists, the adoption of the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists as adopted by the National Association, and co-operation in its world-wide ministry. This association holds unswerving loyalty to the inspired Word of God as our infallible rule of faith and practice.

Article I. Name

This association shall be known as the North Carolina Association of Free Will Baptists, however, informally the term "State Association" may be used.

Article II. Composition

This association shall be composed of its officers, members of standing boards, ordained and licensed ministers who are in good standing with a conference or association affiliated with this body, together with three (3) delegates elected from each conference or association and one (1) delegate for every fifty (50) members or fraction thereof from each local church which is in good standing with a conference or association affiliated with this body.

Article III. Meetings

Section 1. This association shall convene in regular annual session at a time and place determined by the association in session.

Section 2. In the event of an emergency resulting from a cancellation of the place approved by the association while in annual session, the Executive Board of the association shall have power to make a substitute choice of a suitable location for the annual meeting.

Section 3. Should a called session be deemed essential, the Executive Board shall have authority to issue and publicize a called session of the State Association, said call shall be publicized not less than two (2) weeks in advance of the session.

Section 4. The qualified members in attendance at any regular or called session shall constitute a quorum.

Article IV. Officers

The officers of this association shall consist of the members of the Executive Board, the Board of Trustees, the Board of Missions, the Board of Care for the Aged, the Board of Retirement and Insurance, the Board of Youth Relations, and the Bible Book Store Board.

Article V. Boards

Section 1. This association shall establish the following standing boards:

- The Executive Board
- The Board of Trustees
- The Board of Missions
- The Board of Care For the Aged
- The Board of Retirement and Insurance
- The Board of Youth Relations
- The Bible Book Store Board

Section 2. The Executive Board shall consist of Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and three (3) members at large elected by the association.

Section 3. The Board of Trustees shall consist of three (3) members elected by the association.

Section 4. The following boards shall each be composed of five (5) members elected by the association.

The Board of Missions

The Board of Care for the Aged

The Board of Retirement and Insurance

The Board of Youth Relations

The Bible Book Store Board

Article VI. Discipline

This association has no judicial or appellate powers conflicting with the independence of the local church or the bodies constituting this association.

Article VII. Amendments

This constitution may be amended by two-thirds majority vote of the members present and voting at a session of the association provided the proposed amendment is presented to the body one day in advance.

Article VIII. Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of this association any assets of the organization then remaining shall be conveyed to the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

BY-LAWS

Article I. Membership

Section 1. Membership in this association shall be through application of a duly constituted district association (or conference). A credentials committee shall examine the application and make other investigation it deems appropriate. The credentials committee shall make a recommendation to the association as to the action to take regarding the application. The decision on the application shall be by majority vote of delegates present and voting.

Section 2. Each church holding membership in an affiliated association shall automatically be a member of this association.

Article II. Representation

Section 1. Each district association holding membership in the State Association shall send a report of statistics on a form provided by the association to every annual session of the association. Failure to report for two successive sessions of the association may be the basis for dismissal from the association by a majority vote of members present and voting.

Section 2. Seating of delegates shall be through recommendation of a credentials committee. Any potential delegates whose credentials are not recommended for approval by the credentials committee may be seated only by a majority vote of seated delegates who are present and voting.

Article III. Duties of Officers and Boards

Section 1. The Executive Board shall: (1) arrange the program for the annual sessions of the association, (2) fill vacancies which may occur on any

board between sessions of the association, (the person duly elected by the association), (3) promote the work of the association, (4) review the annual reports and proposed budgets of all boards before they are presented to the State Association, (5) provide for and give general supervision to a church bond program and other similar service ministries and, (6) employ and supervise a promotional secretary, whose duties shall be as follows:

- A. Administration. To administer the affairs of the Executive Board within the authority delegated by the board. He shall fulfill all duties commensurate with his office and present plans and procedures to the board which he feels would be effective in promoting the work within the association.
- B. General Promotion. To show through general promotion the correlation and interrelation of all the ministries of the State Association and National Association. It is expected that he will promote impartially the total program of work as devised by all standing boards.
- C. Public Relations. To keep in close contact with pastors, district associations, and local church leaders. He shall represent the State Association to other bodies when in the interest of the association.
- D. Publications. To serve as editor-in-chief of the Free Will Baptist Witness. He shall direct the production of other promotional material as may be approved by the Executive Board.

- E. Stewardship. To provide stewardship education that will serve to produce increased support for the state ministries through the "State Program" and/or other methods of giving by associations, churches, and individuals.
- F. Arranging Annual Association. To expedite the planning of the annual association program, arrange for the enrolling of ministers and delegates and distribute the printed minutes of the association.
- G. Other Duties. To perform other duties as may be assigned by the Executive Board. It is understood that the Promotional Secretary is to have no official or ex-officio status on any standing board or committee of the association except as may be specifically provided by action of the association.

The Executive Board may advise and assist other boards of the association. The Executive Board is not authorized to act for the association except as provided in the constitution and by-laws of the association or as specifically directed by the association.

Section 2. The Board of Trustees shall be legal custodian of all property belonging to the association except in the case of the standing boards of the association which by action of the association are authorized to incorporate.

Section 3. The Mission Board, the Board of Care for the Aged, the Board of Youth Relations, the Board of Retirement and Insurance and the Bible Book Store Board each shall promote the work within the state as would generally be recognized as coming within the purview of the respective board. Each board shall: (a) be responsible to

the State Association for all their actions,. (b) propose by-laws for the government of their respective work, (The by-laws of each board shall be presented to the association for approval), (c) make an annual report of its accomplishments to the association, and (d) prepare a budget of proposed expenditures which shall be presented to the association for approval.

Section 4. The moderator shall, (1) preside at meetings of the State Association and Executive Board, (2) call meetings of the Executive Board of his own volition or upon request of at least three members of the Executive Board, (3) appoint such committees as are created without provision for their selection, (4) fulfill whatever responsibilities that may be commensurate with the office or that may be delegated by the association.

Section 5. The assistant moderator shall preside at the request of, or in the absence of, the moderator and assist the moderator in such manner as may be requested.

Section 6. The clerk shall prepare minutes of the proceedings of all meetings of the association or the Executive Board and preserve an accurate record of said proceedings in a book provided for this purpose and shall handle such official correspondence as may be directed by the association. He shall, through the Executive Board, arrange for the printing of the minutes.

Section 7. The treasurer shall hold in trust all money that belongs to the Executive Board of the association and disburse same by order of the association, the Executive Board, or any standing board or subordinate general organization invested with the authority to authorize the disbursement of funds. He shall keep an accurate account of all funds received and disbursed and make an annual report to the association.

Article IV. Election of Officers and Board Members

Section 1. No person shall hold membership on more than one standing board at the same time.

Section 2. All officers shall be elected by the body. A nominating committee shall be elected at the beginning of each session. After their report is presented, additional nominations for any office may be made from the floor. The General Officers shall be elected for a period of two (2) years. No person shall serve in more than one (1) elected position in the association at the same time, and no one having served a full term shall be elected to succeed himself.

Section 3. The offices of Moderator and Assistant Moderator shall be filled on an alternating basis, from the eastern and western part of the state; Durham shall be the dividing line. When the Moderator is elected from one section, his assistant shall be elected from the other.

Article V. Terms of Office

Section 1. The three (3) members at large elected to the board, shall each have a term of office of three years with their terms arranged so that one (1) member's term expires annually.

Section 2. The members of the Mission Board, Board of Care for the Aged, Board of Youth Relations, Board of Retirement and Insurance and Bible Book Store Board shall each have a term of office of five (5) years with their terms arranged so that one (1) member's term expires annually.

Section 3. The members of the Board of Trustees shall each have a term of office of three (3) years with their terms arranged so that only one member's term expires annually.

Article VI. Committees

Section 1. Various committees shall be constituted, when need arises, by the State Association or the Executive Board. The number of members of a committee shall be determined by the establishing body (State Association or Executive Board). Committee members shall be appointed by the moderator unless otherwise provided by the action creating the committee. Committee members shall serve for the length of time provided, until their work has been completed, until they are released, or their successors chosen.

Section 2. The following committees shall be appointed annually to serve during the session of the State Association:

- A. The credentials committee of three (3) members. This committee shall examine all letters to the association, applications for membership in the association, and credentials of the various delegates. The committee shall make recommendations to the association regarding the seating of delegates and the action to take on applications for membership in the association.
- B. The resolutions committee whose duty it shall be to screen resolutions that are presented. Only resolutions determined by this committee to be worthy are to be presented to the association by the committee.
- C. The finance committee which shall receive and account for all funds received with letters or through offerings during the association.

Article VII. Honorarium and Reimbursements

Section 1. The clerk shall receive as honorarium \$100.00 annually.

Section 2. Members of standing boards, or duly constituted committees, may be reimbursed for expenses in attending board meetings within the state, exclusive of the annual association meeting, at the rate of 15¢ per mile (may claim road distance if traveling by airplane). In addition, if over night travel is required, reimbursement may be made for actual meals and lodging expenses.

ARTICLE VIII. Quorum

A simple majority of a board or committee shall constitute a quorum.

Article IX. Proxy

No voting shall be done by proxy in meetings of the State Association. Proxy representation shall be accepted for meetings of the Executive Board provided the proxy is designated in writing by the board member or by oral communication between the member and the moderator.

Article X. Parliamentary Authority

The meetings of the State Association 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 rule of this association.

Article XI. Amendments

These by-laws may be amended by (1) a majority vote of the members present and voting provided the amendment is presented one day prior to the vote, or (2) by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting if immediate action is to be taken as soon as debate has been completed.

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1976-77

Moderator: Rev. Homer Arrowood
841 Noles Drive
Mt. Holly, N. C. 28120
Phone: 704/827-5546
(1978)

Assistant Moderator: Rev. Randy Cox
Box 14345
Raleigh, N. C. 27610
Phone: 919/872-2215
(1978)

Clerk: Rev. Billy Gene Outland
Rt. 6, Box 234
Durham, N. C. 27703
Phone: 919/596-2392
(1978)

Treasurer: Rev. Guy Owens
Box 11186
Durham, N. C. 27703
Phone: 919/596-7752
(1978)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. Homer Arrowood	(1978)
Rev. Randy Cox	(1978)
Rev. Billy Gene Outland	(1978)
Rev. Guy Owens	(1978)
Rev. Clarence Ballew	(1977)
Rev. John Goss	(1978)
Rev. Howard Messer	(1979)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rev. Charles Keith	(1977)
Rev. Danny Key	(1978)
Rev. Robert Burke	(1979)

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1976-77 CONTINUED:

BOARD OF MISSIONS

Rev. Burt Hall	(1977)
Rev. Roger Tripp	(1978)
Rev. Larry Hughes	(1979)
Rev. Ted Reynolds	(1980)
Rev. Sherman Branch	(1981)

BOARD OF CARE FOR THE AGED

Rev. William Calvert	(1977)
Rev. Bill Reagan	(1978)
Mr. Donnie Miles	(1979)
Rev. Jim Mullen	(1980)
Rev. Lorenzo Stox	(1981)

BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE

Rev. Joe Harley	(1977)
Rev. John Craft	(1978)
Rev. Eddie Riddick	(1979)
Rev. Roy Rikard	(1980)
Rev. Larry Stevens	(1981)

BOARD OF YOUTH RELATIONS

Rev. William Calvert	(1977)
Rev. Bill Reagan	(1978)
Mr. Donnie Miles	(1979)
Rev. Jim Mullen	(1980)
Rev. Lorenzo Stox	(1981)

BIBLE BOOK STORE

Rev. Frank McQuade	(1977)
Rev. Lonnie Graves	(1978)
Rev. Dennis Lowry	(1979)
Rev. Bob King	(1980)
Mr. Lee Thomas	(1981)

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1976-77 CONTINUED:

LEAH WADDELL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Mrs. Carolyn Riddick	(1977)
Mrs. Delsie Waters	(1978)
Rev. Albert Rollins	(1979)

MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED AT THE STATE ASSOCIATION

Due to some error, the registration cards of ministers attending the session were misplaced or lost, hence there is no listing of ministers attending in this minute. We apologize for this.

CHURCHES REPORTING TO THE 1976 SESSION

BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION

1. Avery's Creek, Arden
2. Beaverdam, Candler
3. Bethel, Marion
4. Calvary, Swannanoa
5. Canton, Canton
6. Cedar Hill, Asheville
7. Clayton Avenue, Asheville
8. East Fork, Mars Hill
9. Fairview, Marion
10. First, Black Mountain
11. First, Marion
12. First, Shelby
13. First, Spruce Pine
14. Harriett Memorial, Caroleen
15. Holly Grove, Waynesville
16. Lenoir, Lenoir
17. Meadowbrook, Black Mountain
18. Meadow Fork, Hot Springs
19. Morganton, Morganton
20. Mount Bethel, Weaverville
21. Mt. Calvary, Marion
22. Nowlings Chapel, Morganton
23. Old Fort, Old Fort
24. Roberson Creek, Bostic
25. Rocky Pass, Nebo
26. Swannanoa, Swannanoa
27. Sweeten Creek, Biltmore
28. Trinity Hill, Nebo
29. Walnut, Marshall

COASTAL ASSOCIATION

1. Ahoskie, Ahoskie
2. Calvary, Jacksonville
3. Cardinal Village, Jacksonville
4. Cedar Grove, Williamston
5. Cove City, Cove City
6. Davis, Davis
7. Emmanuel, Jacksonville

8. Faith, Washington
9. First, Beaufort
10. First, Jacksonville
11. First, Richlands
12. First, Washington
13. Five Points, Pinetown
14. Friendship, Wilmington
15. Hope, Plymouth
16. Morehead City First, Morehead City
17. Mt. Olive, Plymouth
18. Palmetta Chapel, Vanceboro
19. Peace Chapel, Washington
20. Pleasant Acres, New Bern
21. Ruth's Chapel, New Bern
22. Sandy Acres, Columbia
23. Sherwood Forest, New Bern
24. Stacy, Stacy
25. Union Chapel, Chocowinity
26. West Craven, New Bern

PALMER ASSOCIATION

1. Antioch, Pikeville
2. Beacon, Farmville
3. Belvoir, Greenville
4. Faith, Goldsboro
5. Fellowship, Micro
6. Grace, Greenville
7. Grace, Rocky Mount
8. Grifton, Grifton
9. Hope, Scotland Neck
10. Immanuel, Winterville
11. Maranatha, Greenville
12. Mt. Calvary, Hookerton
13. Parkers Chapel, Greenville
14. Peace, Wilson
15. St. John's, Goldsboro
16. Temple, Greenville
17. Trinity, La Grange
18. Victory, Goldsboro
19. West Duplin, Warsaw
20. White Oak Hill, Bailey

PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION

1. Catawba, Belmont
2. First, E. Rockingham
3. Hopewell, Hamlet
4. Maple Street, Rockingham
5. Sharon, Belmont

RANDALL ASSOCIATION

1. Calvary, Durham
2. College Lakes, Fayetteville
3. Colonial Heights, Clinton
4. Fellowship, Dunn
5. Fellowship, Durham
6. First, Raleigh
7. First, Roxboro
8. Garner, Garner
9. Liberty, Durham
10. Oak Grove, Durham
11. Prospect, Dunn
12. Shady Grove, Durham
13. Tippetts Chapel, Clayton
14. Unity, Smithfield
15. West Calvary, Smithfield

WESTERN PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION

1. Ben Avenue, Kannapolis
2. Bessemer City, Bessemer City
3. Bethel, Kannapolis
4. Boger City, Lincolnton
5. Cramerton, Cramerton
6. First, China Grove
7. First, Gastonia
8. First, Stanley
9. Laurel, Charlotte
10. Living Hope, Gastonia
11. Lowell, Lowell
12. Mable Avenue, Kannapolis
13. Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly
14. Mt. Zion, Kannapolis

YADKIN VALLEY ASSOCIATION

1. Arrington Heights, Lexington

MINUTES OF THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

When convened with the First Free Will Baptist Church, Stanley, N. C., June 14, 15, 1976

MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 14, 11:00 A.M.

The Monday morning service was presided over by Rev. Frank McQuage of Rockingham. Bro. Ron Dail of the Fellowship Church, Durham, led the congregation in singing "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart." Bro. Odell Cook read Hebrews 10:19 for our scripture. We were welcomed to Stanley by the host pastor, Bro. Sherman Branch, who gave an unusually warm welcome, saying that "we hope our actions will speak louder than our words and that we will truly make you to know how welcome you are." Bro. Dennis Wiggs, moderator, responded to the welcome.

Bro. Wiggs, at this time, appointed two committees. The Credentials Committee consisting of Rev. James Stepp, Rev. A. C. Morgan, Rev. Lee Whaley.

The 1976 session was officially called to order by Clerk Guy Owens. Bro. Ron Dail again led the congregation in singing "Standing On The Promises." Bro. McQuage introduced Mrs. Pat Ziegler of the host church who sang "The Longer I Serve Him." Bro. McQuage recognized host pastor Sherman Branch who introduced the speaker for the hour, Rev. Howard Messer, pastor of Meadowbrook Church in Swannahoa, to bring the morning message. Bro. Messer took his text from Proverbs 14:34 and spoke on "America In Trouble." Bro. Messer developed his message showing first the direction of America morally, educationally, religiously and politically,

painting indeed a dark picture. He then showed the answer for America's dilemma to be two-fold --the preaching of the Word of God and prayer.

Following the message the moderator appointed the Resolutions Committee consisting of Rev. Randy Cox, Rev. William Calvert and Rev. Sigbee Dilda. He instructed each department to be sure to present their budget for adoption at the time of their report.

We were dismissed for lunch.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, JUNE 14

The Monday afternoon session began by singing "When We All Get To Heaven" led by Bro. Ron Dail. Prayer was offered by Bro. Norman Perkins. Bro Wings was recognized to bring the moderator's message entitled "To Cooperate or Not to Cooperate With A Denomination", the outline of which follows:

I. DECISION EACH MEMBER AND PASTOR MUST MAKE

A. To Not Affiliate with a Denomination
Due to

1. Difference in Doctrine
2. Departure from the Faith
3. Disrespect for Leaders and/or
Organization

B. To Affiliate with a Denomination for
the Purpose of

1. Cooperating in World-wide
Ministries
2. Communing with Other Believers

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, JUNE 14 CONTINUED:

3. Contending for the Faith in Unity

II. DETERMINATION TO DO BEST ONCE DECISION MADE

A. If You Choose Independency

1. Be faithful to Word of God
2. Love the Brethren even if not of your Group
3. Cooperate When Possible with Other Groups

B. If You Choose Denominational Affiliation

1. Stand for What is Right - Keep it Pure
2. Serve Faithfully in Your Elected Responsibilities
3. Seek Fellowship of Entire Group

At the Conclusion of his message the moderator called on Clerk Guy Owens to pray.

The moderator requested that we adopt the program as planned by the Executive Committee as our order of business with deviations permitted as deemed wise and necessary during the proceedings. A motion prevailed to that effect. The moderator then recognized the chairman of the Credentials Committee, Bro. John Craft, for their report. Motion prevailed to receive the report and seat the delegates. See report page 34.

The moderator then recognized out-of-state visitors--Rev. Herman Hersey of the Board of Retirement and Insurance, Nashville, Tennessee, Rev. James Earl Raper of the Children's Home, Greenville, Tennessee, Mr. Mark Staten of the Woodale Church, Knoxville, Tennessee, Rev. Charles Thiipen of Free Will Baptist Bible College,

Nashville, Tennessee, Rev. Rolla Smith, Department of Foreign Missions, Nashville, Tennessee, Rev. Harold Harrison, Sunday School Department, Nashville, Tennessee. Visitors from within the State were recognized--Rev. Clint Morgan, who is a missionary appointee to Africa, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Hearn of New Bern.

The moderator then called for an election of the Nominating Committee and a motion from the floor prevailed that the chair be empowered to appoint such committee.

The moderator informed us that the report of the Executive Board and Promotional Department scheduled next would be delayed until Tuesday morning.

Bro. Fred Green, manager of the Bible Book Store in Durham, was recognized for a report which was received as information.

The moderator then recognized Bro. Bob King of the Bible Book Store Board for his report which contained three recommendations. (1) That Rev. Dennis Lowry be elected to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Wayne Smith on the board. (2) That Bro. Lee Thomas be elected to a full term. Bro. Thomas had been serving on the board filling an unexpired term of a member who resigned. (3) Recommended that we grant the board authority to negotiate a new lease and to relocate the Book Store at their discretion. A motion prevailed that we receive the report and grant the three recommendations. The motion prevailed unanimously.

The Bible Book Store now presented their new Constitution and By-Laws for approval by the

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, JUNE 14 CONTINUED:

Association. Motion prevailed that they be read and considered item by item. After two pages, having been read a motion prevailed to table until tomorrow, giving us time to read and study them in detail.

The moderator now recognized Rev. Herman Hersey for the report of Retirement and Insurance. Bro. Hersey spoke of a special travel insurance and reminded us of travel insurance available to the ministers and that a special Father's Day offering is received for the benefit of our older ministers. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

Things began to get a little drowsy and the moderator called on Bro. Ron Dail to lead us in a song. We stood and sang "To God Be The Glory."

We then came to a time for miscellaneous business. Bro. Frank Davenport of Faith Church in Goldsboro mentioned that Senator Thomas Strickland of Goldsboro, candidate for Governor, who has served three terms in the House of Representatives and four in the Senate would be in the area and requested that Senator Strickland be given time to speak. A motion prevailed that if other candidates are present that they all be given time to speak, the total time for all candidates inclusive not to exceed fifteen minutes. The moderator ruled that since the Home Mission Board is in charge of the Monday night service that the Mission Board determine whether the candidates should speak during or after the service.

The moderator now recognized Bro. J. C. Lynn for the report of the Board of Care for the Aged. Bro. Lynn gave a report on the progress of the building of the rest home near Asheville and

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, JUNE 14 CONTINUED:

mentioned that a plan used by the board for raising money had received only seven responses to 275 letters. A motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

The moderator now recognized Mrs. Joanne King for the report of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention who gave a very spiritual and glowing report of the Woman's Auxiliary victories this year. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

The moderator recognized Bro. Eddie Riddick for the report of the Board of Retirement and Insurance. Bro. Riddick in turn recognized Bro. Frank Davenport, our Blue Cross-Blue Shield hospital insurance representative for a report on our group insurance. Bro. Riddick's report contained a recommendation. See recommendation at the end of the Board of Retirement and Insurance report on page 48. Bro. Riddick recognized Bro. Roy Pikard, Chairman of the Board of Retirement and Insurance for a few words appealing for support to their board. A motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

The moderator recognized Rev. Harold Harrison, representing the National Sunday School Department, for a report. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

The moderator recognized Rev. Harvey Dupree for the report of the Leah Waddell Scholarship Fund. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

The moderator now appointed the Nominating Committee consisting of Rev. James Pauley, Rev. Nathan Eason, Rev. Bill Reagan, Rev. Roy Richard, Rev. Ted Reynolds.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, JUNE 14 CONTINUED:

The moderator recognized Rev. Rolla Smith, General Director of our Foreign Missions Department, Nashville, Tennessee, for a Foreign Missions report. Bro. Smith gave a good solid Biblical statement of foreign missions, and informed us that financially the department was doing better the first five months of the year and that the latter part of the year was the best part of the year for foreign missions. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

MONDAY NIGHT SESSION, JUNE 14

The session began with Bro. G. C. Lee leading the congregation in singing.

Bro. Roger Tripp gave a glowing report of the accomplishments of the Home Mission Board for the past year. The entire Mission Board was appropriately attired in attractive blazers carrying an emblem and the words "N. C. Home Missions." They also passed out to everyone present note pads with the emblem of N. C. Free Will Baptist Home Missions, "Winning Souls Through N. C. Home Missions", printed on them. This was supposed to be a reminder of our people to keep N. C. FWB Home Missions constantly before them. Bro. A. C. Morgan gave a report on the Washington work and then we heard from board member Bro. Alvin Harris. Bro. James Stepp gave a report on the Siler City work.

Bro. Ted Reynolds spoke and presented the Hope Trio from the Caroleen Church who sang "Jesus Pilots My Ship", "Thank You Lord For Your Blessings On Me" and "Stepping On The Clouds."

MONDAY NIGHT SESSION, JUNE 14 CONTINUED:

Bro. Reynolds introduced the speaker for the evening, board member Bro. Larry Hughes, pastor of our Canton Church. Bro. Hughes spoke on "The Believer's Mission." He took as his text the familiar passage - Matthew 28:18-20. He said (1) We have one mission, (2) We have many ministries in this one mission. He developed the thought that there are many methods we can use in the ministry of proclaiming the Word of God. To illustrate this he mentioned his five-minute daily radio ministry and his chaplaincy of his local Rescue Squad. (3) We have a mind to keep concerning it all.

Following the very challenging, warm-hearted message by Bro. Hughes, an offering for N. C. FMB Home Missions was received.

The service was dismissed in prayer.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 15

The Tuesday morning, June 15th session began with Rev. Bill Reagan of Morehead City leading the congregation in singing "Love Lifted Me." Prayer was led by Rev. Larry Stevens of New Bern. Bro. Owen Ganey, pastor of Living Waters Church, Bethel, brought the message entitled "The Need of The Hour." Bro Ganey said that revival is the greatest need of the hour and presented eight reasons why revival is needed -- (1) To awaken Christians to a holy life, (2) Because of the condition of lost mankind, (3) In order to wage a war against sin, (4) To awaken sinners to God's coming judgment, (5) To reveal God's love to the unsaved, (6) To strengthen the church, (7) to prepare people for heaven and (8) To put compassion in the lives of God's people.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 15 CONTINUED:

The moderator now called on Rev. William Sealey, pastor of our Cove City Church, to lead us in prayer for revival.

The moderator asked for report of the Monday night's offering. (See Finance Committee report.)

The moderator now recognized visitors - Rev. Rufus Coffey, Executive Secretary of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, Nashville, Tennessee, Rev. Bobby Rose of the Bay Branch FWB Church, Timmonsville, S. C., Rev. Bob Shockey, General Director of the National Home Missions Board.

The moderator appointed the Placement Committee consisting of Rev. Sherman Branch, Rev. Bill Reagan, Rev. Eddie Riddick, Rev. R. J. Kennedy, Sr.

The moderator recognized Rev. Charles Thigpen, Dean of Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee for a report. Bro. Thigpen spoke briefly then recognized Bro. Jack Paramore who spoke for a few minutes on the college's development program. Bro. Thigpen then recognized Rev. Bob King who commented regarding a substantial gift made to Free Will Baptist Bible College and to Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions by a North Carolina layman and his wife from the Prospect Church. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

The moderator now recognized Bro. Lee Thomas for a report from the Laymen's Board. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

The moderator recognized Rev. Bob Shockey, General Director of the National Home Missions.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 15 CONTINUED:

Motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

The moderator recognized Rev. Sigbee Dilda, pastor of Ruth's Chapel Church, New Bern for the report of the Board of Youth. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information. See report on page 32.

The moderator recognized Rev. Guy Owens, Chairman of the National Association Invitation Committee, who gave an oral report recommending that we invite the National Association to Charlotte for the 1979 session. Approximate cost to the State Association -- \$6,000. Motion prevailed to adopt the report and recommendation.

The moderator called on Clerk Owens for the report of the Executive Board. The clerk read the report and recommended that the report be received and the budget of the Promotional Department adopted. Motion prevailed. See report on page 44.

The moderator called upon Rev. Ronald Creech, State Promotional Secretary for the report of the State Promotional Department. See report on page 69.

The moderator recognized Rev. Rufus Coffey, Executive Secretary of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, who gave an oral report. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

The moderator recognized Rev. James Earl Raper for the report of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Greeneville, Tennessee. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 15 CONTINUED:

The moderator next inquired concerning the attendance at the Tuesday morning business session and learned that it was 145 and asked that it be entered in the minutes.

The moderator recognized Rev. John Craft of Smithfield for the final report of the Credentials Committee. See report on page 34.

The moderator recognized Rev. James Stepp for the report of the Finance Committee. See report on page 31.

The moderator recognized Rev. Randy Cox, Raleigh, for the report of the Resolutions Committee. Upon hearing the report a motion prevailed that we receive the report and adopt it item by item. See report on page 31.

The moderator next recognized Rev. Sherman Branch for the report of the Placement Committee. Two invitations had been received to host the 1977 session. One from First Church, Raleigh, the other from First Church, Beaufort, both of which have new buildings. After some jovial discussion, the body voted to accept the Raleigh invitation.

Motion prevailed to remove the Bible Book Store Constitution and By-Laws from the table. After much difficulty in reading and comprehending the technical language of the Constitution and By-Laws, a motion prevailed that the Bible Book Store Board take their Constitution and By-Laws back and return to the body next year a Constitution and By-Laws in simple laymen's language for consideration at the 1977 session.

The moderator now recognized Rev. Eddie Riddick for the continued report of the Board of

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 15 CONTINUED:

Retirement and Insurance. Bro. Riddick read the resolution and the guidelines. Motion prevailed to amend number four of the guidelines under resolution "if approved by the State Association while in regular or called session." See report on page 46.

The moderator recognized Rev. Larry Hughes for the report of the Home Missions Board. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information and adopt the budget. See report on page 54.

A motion prevailed that the incoming moderator be given the authority to select state's delegates to the National Association.

The moderator called for nominations for North Carolina's member on the General Board of the National Association. Rev. Ronald Creech was elected.

The moderator brought before us the need for a committee to entertain the National Association. Motion prevailed that the moderator appoint that committee. In light of the fact that our invitation to host the 1979 session is still pending and has not yet been accepted by the National Association, the appointment of the committee was deferred until next year.

Rev. J. V. Johnson secured the floor and spoke about certain books and versions of the Bible sold in our Bible Book Store, such as Good News For Modern Man, The Living Bible, etc. Motion was offered that the Living Bible or any other untrustworthy version be removed and not sold at our Bible Book Store. After discussing the proposed motion for awhile, a

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 15 CONTINUED:

substitute motion was offered and prevailed "that we remind the Bible Book Store Board to closely adhere to the guidelines drawn up for their operation and approved by this body."

The moderator now recognized Rev. James Pauley with the report of the Nomination Committee. Upon hearing the report a motion prevailed that we receive the report and vote on it item by item. See report on page 30.

At this time there was a clarification of the members and the expiration date of their terms of the Board of Care for the Aged. They are as follows: Rev. James Pauley's term expires in 1977, Rev. Troy Smith's in 1978, Rev. Billy Allen in 1979, Rev. William Fish in 1980 and Rev. J. C. Lynn in 1981.

The moderator now recognized Sister Molly Barker, missionary to Uruguay, South America, who spoke to the delegates concerning her work there.

Rev. Bob King, pastor of Prospect Church, Dunn, gained the floor and requested information regarding the repeated appeals for support of the Promotional Office. Bro. John Craft arose and expressed regret at the repeated appeals for funds for the same office. Moderator Wiggs related the Executive Board's efforts to support the Promotional Office.

Motion prevailed to adjourn. Moderator Dennis Wiggs called upon Rev. Homer Arrowood, our newly elected moderator, to dismiss us in prayer. Adjournment time - 1:40 P.M.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee submits the following names for consideration:

Moderator	Homer Arrowood (1978)
Assistant Moderator	Randy Cox (1978)
Clerk	Billy Gene Outland (1978)
Treasurer	Guy Owens (1978)
Executive Bd. Member at Large	Howard Messer (1979)
Bd. of Trustees	Robert Burke (1979)
Bd. of Missions	Sherman Branch (1981)
	Burt Hall (1977)
Bd. of Care	J. C. Lynn (1981)
	James Pauley (Replace Homer Arrowood) (1977)
Bd. of Retirement & Ins.	Larry Stevens (1981)
	John Craft (Replace Bill Hill) (1978)
Bd. of Youth Relations	Lorenzo Stox (1981)
	Bill Regan (Replace J. Cole (1978)
	Donnie Miles (replace Ron Christ (1979)
Bible Book Store Bd.	Lee Thomas (1981)
	Dennis Lowry (replace Wayne Smith (1979)
Leah Waddell Fund	Albert Rollins (1979)

Respectfully submitted,

James Pauley
Nathan Eason
Bill Regan
Roy Rikard
Ted Reynolds

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, the Resolutions Committee, wish to submit the following resolutions:

1. Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to the First Free Will Baptist Church of Stanley for the gracious way they have entertained this State Association and to the sister churches which assisted with the meals.
2. Be it resolved that each pastor adhere to the messages preached at the 14th Annual Session of the State Association as to Biblical preaching and standard.
3. Be it resolved that we give a standing vote of appreciation to our outgoing officers and board members for their labor.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Cox
William Calvert
Sigbee Dilda

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Monday Night Mission Offering	\$ 888.04
Churches and Association	<u>1,579.50</u>
TOTAL	\$2,467.54

Respectfully submitted,

James Stepps
A. C. Morgan
D. L. Whaley

BOARD OF YOUTH RELATIONS

The State Youth work has had a very rewarding year in spite of the lack of response to the planned Christmas Retreat.

This year our meeting was apart from the State Convention. Our evaluation is that the separation was a success and benefited many of our people. Bro. Dale Burden brought a timely message of complete dedication to Jesus Christ to more than two hundred in attendance at Liberty Church in Durham, N. C.

In the activities of the day 88 young people participated in both the competitive activities and Music and Arts Competition. Each one did a commendable job.

At this year's National Youth Conference in Tulsa, Oklahoma, we will have entries in 17 different categories involving 48 young people from four different associations in our State. Please pray that they will bear testimony for Christ and to other young people.

Thank you for your support this past year, and pray for the new board members as they take on their responsibilities with our youth.

Respectfully submitted,

Sigbee Dilda
William Calvert
Jim Mullen

BOARD OF YOUTH RELATIONS

TREASURER'S REPORT

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD \$ 190.86

INCOME:

Sherwood Forest	\$134.50
Liberty	56.25
First-Beaufort	35.82
West Duplin	50.00
State Program	222.67
First-Washington	<u>175.00</u>

674.24

DISBURSEMENTS:

Travel for Bd. Members	90.00
Bd. Meeting Expenses	19.17
Honorarium-Broncho West	15.00
Mailing	5.61
Registration Fee-Spencewood	50.00
Office Supplies	17.76
Telephone	67.56
Purchase of Checks	9.10
Service Charge	<u>2.43</u>

276.63

BALANCE ON HAND \$ 588.47

BOARD OF YOUTH RELATIONS

PROPOSED BUDGET 1976-77

State Winners to National Youth Con.	1,500.00
National Competition Registration	60.00
Medals and Awards	175.00
State Question Kits	15.00
Postage and Mailing	60.00

BOARD OF YOUTH RELATIONS- PROPOSED BUDGET
1976-77 CONTINUED:

Printing	50.00
Travel	250.00
State Youth Conference	<u>100.00</u>
TOTAL	\$2,210.00

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Letters from District Associations	7
Letters from Churches	111
Ministers	103
Delegates	41
Visitors	<u>157</u>
	301

Respectfully submitted,

John Craft
Billy Allen
Robert F. Burke

To the Board of Directors
The Bible Book Store of Durham, Inc.
Durham, North Carolina

We have examined the balance sheet of THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC. as of March 31, 1976, and the related statements of operations and retained earnings and changes in financial position for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the aforementioned financial statements present fairly the financial position of THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC. at March 31, 1976, and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Ricca, Nelson, Gantt and Company

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

BALANCE SHEET

MARCH 31, 1976

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash (Note 1)	\$ 2,629
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$519	3,758
Inventory (Note 2)	24,976
Prepaid rent	<u>620</u>

CURRENT ASSETS \$31,983

PLANT AND EQUIPMENT - at cost,
less accumulated depreciation
of \$3,639 (Note 3) 9,738

UNAMORTIZED ORGANIZATION EXPENSE 559
\$42,280

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$10,403
Current maturities of long- term debt (Note 4)	1,250
Accrued salaries	395
Accrued taxes	786
Accrued interest	<u>1,224</u>

CURRENT LIABILITIES \$14,058

LONG-TERM DEBT - less current
maturities (Note 4) 19,350

RETAINED EARNINGS 8,872

\$42,280.

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND RETAINED EARNINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1976

SALES \$147,118

COST OF SALES

Inventory-April 1, 1975 \$ 21,311

Purchases 106,137

Freight and postage 3,828

\$131,276

Inventory-March 31, 1976 24,976

COST OF SALES 106,300

GROSS PROFIT \$ 40,818

OTHER INCOME 191

GROSS PROFIT AND OTHER INCOME \$ 41,009

OPERATING EXPENSES

Salaries \$ 19,967

Contract labor 198

Repairs and maintenance 256

Payroll taxes 1,409

Telephone 688

Rent 5,550

Utilities 2,035

Insurance 625

Taxes and licenses 1,197

Office supplies and expense 502

Legal and accounting 2,955

Bank charges 43

Advertising 1,685

Transportation and parking 1,426

Interest 1,495

Depreciation 1,879

Bad debt expense 293

Amortization of organization
expense 62

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND RETAINED EARNINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1976 CONTINUED:

Dues and subscriptions	41
Collection expense	46
Equipment rental	67
Loss on disposal of plant and equipment	82
Miscellaneous	<u>71</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>\$ 42,582</u>
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (1,573)
RETAINED EARNINGS-April 1, 1975	<u>10,445</u>
RETAINED EARNINGS-March 31, 1976	<u>\$ 8,872</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1976

RESOURCES PROVIDED	
Net income (loss)	\$ (1,573)
Add amount not requiring outlay of working capital in the current period - Depreciation and amortization	<u>1,941</u>
Working capital provided from operations	\$ 368
Disposal of plant and equipment	82
Decrease in working capital	<u>5,940</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES PROVIDED	<u>\$ 6,390</u>
RESOURCES APPLIED	
Purchase of plant and equipment	\$ 4,519

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1976 continued:

Reclassification to current liabilities of portion of debt due within one year	\$ 1,250
Organization expense incurred	<u>621</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES APPLIED	\$ 6,390
CHANGES IN WORKING CAPITAL	
Current Assets - increase (decrease)	
Cash	\$ (3,380)
Accounts receivable	(440)
Inventory	3,665
Prepaid rent	<u>270</u>
Increase In Current Assets	\$ 115
Current Liabilities-increase(decrease)	
Accounts payable	\$ 6,007
Current maturities of long-term debt	(500)
Accrued salaries	245
Accrued taxes	140
Accrued interest	<u>163</u>
Increase in Current Liabilities	\$ 6,055
DECREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL	<u>\$ (5,940)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 1976

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND
OTHER MATTERS

The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of The Bible Book Store of Durham, Inc. a subordinate member organization of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. Accordingly, it is exempt from Federal income taxes under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c)(3). The primary function of the corporation is supplying Sunday School and other Christian literature to the Free Will Baptist Churches in the southeastern states. It also maintains an inventory of Christian literature for sale to the general public. The store accounts for sales and expenses on the accrual method.

Other significant accounting policies relate to long-term debt, inventories, plant and equipment and lease expense. Their policies are disclosed in Notes 1, 4, 2, 3 and 5, respectively.

NOTE 1

Cash consists of \$1,410 in sinking fund accounts of which use is restricted for retirement of long-term debt consisting of bonds and the interest on these bonds as they become due. (See Note 4, below.)

NOTE 2

Merchandise inventory was taken at retail by seven classifications, Bibles, books, cards,

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, MARCH 31, 1976
CONTINUED:

supplies, music, Sunday School literature, and rebound books. A weighted average markup of retail over cost was derived by each classification and then applied to the retail value to derive an inventory value at lower of cost or market.

NOTE 3

The Bible Book Store of Durham, Inc. employs the straight-line method of depreciating plant and equipment over their estimated useful lives.

Major categories of plant and equipment at March 31, 1976 are as follows:

	Life Range	Cost	Acc. Dep.	Net Bk. Value
Fur. & Fix.	3-15 yrs.	\$ 4,614	\$2,169	\$2,445
Ofc. Equip.	10-20 yrs.	4,444	1,127	3,317
Leasehold Imp.	5 yrs.	4,319	343	3,976
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		\$13,377	\$3,639	\$9,738

NOTE 4

Long-term obligations of The Bible Book Store of Durham, Inc. consist of the following at March 31, 1976:

\$20,600 of General Obligation 7% Sinking Fund Church Building Bonds, Series "A", \$1,250 due within one year. (See Note 1, on previous page.)

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 1976 CONTINUED:

NOTE 5

On November 1, 1975 the corporation moved its store facilities to the North Duke Mall and occupied 3,750 square feet of space outside the mall area on a temporary three and one-half month basis at a rental fee of \$620 per month. According to the original five year lease agreement, they were to occupy the temporary location until February 15, 1976, then move into the mall and occupy a 2,962 square feet location for a monthly rental fee of \$1,320. The lease also contained a provision that the rental fee would be eight percent of sales once sales reached \$197,000 annually.

BIBLE BOOK STORE BOARD REPORT

The Bible Book Store was moved to our present location, North Duke Mall, 3600 Duke Street, Durham, N. C., in October 1975. The store was incorporated on October 8, 1975, under the name of THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC. Both of these actions were authorized by the Association at the Thirteenth Annual Session held at Sherwood Forest FWB Church, New Bern, N. C., June 9-11, 1975.

This board met at Liberty FWB Church, Durham on April 6, 1976, in a joint session with the Executive and other Boards of our state association. All of our board members were present.

BIBLE BOOK STORE BOARD REPORT CONTINUED:

Mr. Andy Curl, a member of the accounting firm which is employed by our board, met with us for consultation concerning the financial status of our operation. The financial report of the previous eleven months was carefully reviewed by the board.

Proposed By-Laws for the Book Store have been written and are being submitted for approval at this session of our State Association. Our financial report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1976, is also being submitted for information and approval.

We, the members of your Book Store Board, welcome and encourage your suggestions as to how we can better serve you through the Book Store. Our manager, Mr. Fred Green, would welcome an opportunity to visit your church during this next year to share with you the services your Book Store has to offer.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Lonnie Graves
Rev. Bob King
Rev. Dennis Lowry
Rev. Frank McQuage
Lee Thomas, Chairman

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

During the past year your Executive Board met twice - August 5, 1975, and April 6, 1976, at the Liberty Free Will Baptist Church in Durham.

The purpose of each of these meetings was to transact the business of this body as authorized in the Constitution and By-Laws or as directed by the body.

During these meetings we examined the financial reports of the State Program, Promotional Department and Capital Church Bonds to see that these operations were being carried on according to the instructions of this body. The reports of each department are carried in this Digest of Reports and show the results of the operation.

We also approved whatever financial arrangements needed to see that these operations should continue to function meaningfully.

At our August 5 meeting we spent much time in discussing the 1975 Session of the State Association to evaluate it and to determine how we could improve the state meeting.

We discussed the matter of inviting the National Association to North Carolina and a committee composed of Guy Owens, Ronald Creech, and Billy Gene Outland were authorized to continue to investigate this matter and bring it back to the Association. We also recommended that the Moderator appoint an Audit Committee to examine the Books of the State Program, Promotional Department, and Capital Church Bonds. This Audit Committee is to annually go over the books and report to the Executive Board that the Executive Board might better perform its duty of oversight

for this body. The result of the Audit Committee's study will be passed on to the State Association.

During the year the Executive Board made several appointments with the various boards filling vacancies due to moving, etc.

In our April 6 meeting in addition to hearing reports of the Promotional Department, Capital Church Bonds, and State Program, we planned the program for the State Meeting and prepared a budget for the promotional Department for 1976-77. The result of this work is reflected in this Association Program and our report to the Association.

A special feature of this year's meetings has been the simultaneous meetings of most of our boards at the same time, at the same location, having lunch together and returning to share particular victories, problems, plans, etc., of our work. Thus giving to all board members present an overall view of the entire work of all the boards of the Association and giving the boards the benefit of counsel in needed areas. We feel that this meeting together of the boards has greatly enhanced our state ministry and communication of problems, needs, etc., and has had a cohesive effect to our state work.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis P. Wiggs, Moderator
Guy F. Owens, Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE

The members of the Retirement and Insurance Board for the State of North Carolina Free Will Baptists are as follows: Rev. Larry Stevens, 1976; Rev. Joe Hailey, 1977; Rev. William Hill, 1978; Rev. Eddie Riddick, 1979; and Rev. Roy Rikard, 1980.

August 20, 1975 -- The North Carolina Board of Retirement and Insurance met at a called meeting by telephone for the purpose of re-organizing the Board. Brother Roy Rikard was elected by the Board as Chairman to replace Brother Joe Hailey and Brother Eddie Riddick was elected as Secretary-Treasurer to replace Brother Harley Brown.

The Treasurer's report showed that we have \$536.49 in the treasury. MSC that we send \$300.00 of this amount to the National Board of Retirement & Insurance.

MSC to adopt the proposed resolution dealing with the setting up of a fund to be used as a gift of appreciation to our retired or disabled North Carolina preachers and missionaries and their widows.

MSC to adopt the proposed guidelines that would be used in deciding which preachers and missionaries and their wives are eligible to receive payments from this retirement fund with the right for each board member to study them and recommend a change later if needed.

September 23, 1975 -- Two members of the Board of Retirement met with Brother Frank Davenport and a representative of Blue Cross for him to explain the proposed increase in the Blue Cross

premiums. A Quorum was not present.

November 28, 1975 -- The North Carolina Board of Retirement and Insurance met at the Faith Free Will Baptist Church in Goldsboro to discuss our health insurance program. Brother Roy Rikard, our chairman, called on Brother Harley Brown to open with prayer. Brother Frank Davenport presented to us a need to amend our current By-Laws.

MSC to amend the By-Laws of the Free Will Baptist Superannuation Association as presented in this meeting.

MSC that the American Association of Independent Employees Plan be made available to our preachers as an alternate to Blue Cross.

MSC that the application for Blue Cross Hospitalization will be accompanied with a certificate statement of Good Health on the date of application.

MSC that the Term Life Insurance Program be made available to all persons who were members of the Superannuation Association prior to May 30, 1974, on each November upon file of proper application.

MSC to ask Brother Rikard to write the other board members who have not been attending the meetings as to whether they will be able to function in the future.

The Board decided to put some promotion in the WITNESS on behalf of the North Carolina Board of Retirement and Insurance.

MSC to adjourn.

January 26, 1976 -- The North Carolina Board of Retirement and Insurance met together at the Faith Free Will Baptist Church in Goldsboro for a called meeting. Brother Frank Davenport showed us the new bookkeeping set-up.

MSC to authorize the clerk to purchase a brief case to be used by the Board.

MSC to ask the State Executive Board to appoint a member in the place of Brother Harley Brown who has moved from our state.

MSC to adjourn.

May 11, 1976 -- The North Carolina Board of Retirement and Insurance met at the Faith Free Will Baptist Church in Goldsboro. Brother Frank Davenport announced that Blue Cross would probably be going up in October and he is working on alternate plans.

MSC to allow Brother Frank to set up an insurance office at the State Meeting.

MSC that we present our appreciation plan to the State Association.

MSC that the Clerk write Brother William Hill to see if he will be able to serve the Retirement Board in the future or if he would like to be replaced.

RECOMMENDATION: We recommend that the State Association allow us to initiate a plan to show appreciation to our retired and disabled ministers in North Carolina.

Eddie Riddick
Secretary-Treasurer

BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE CONTINUED:

RESOLUTION REGARDING GUIDELINES FOR MINISTERS TO RECEIVE PAYMENTS FROM OUR BOARD PRESENTED TO ASSOCIATION WHILE IN SESSION.

RESOLUTION;

Whereas - There are a number of Ministers in our state who because of age and/or illness have been forced into retirement from the pastorate and have served our God and our people diligently and

Whereas - We feel there is a need to express our appreciation for their faithful time of service to our state word and

Whereas - We received a suggestion from the Parker's Chapel Church that this remembrance be by a monetary gift.....

Therefore Be It Resolved:

1. That we ask all of our North Carolina Churches to contribute by regular monthly support, and give their Sunday School Offering on Father's Day or another designated Sunday offering of their choice, for this specific purpose.

2. This money is to be divided equally among the retired or disabled Pastors, Evangelists, and Missionaries or their widows (Spouses) being members of a church affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptists and approved by the North Carolina Board of Retirement and Insurance. The Pilot Program payments to be disbursed December 1, and June 1 annually.

3. That eligible people be recommended to the Board of Retirement and Insurance by their local church.

4. Guide lines will be published by the Board and made available to anyone upon request. They may be changed by the Board from time to time as the need warrants, if approved by the State Association while in regular or called session.

Guidelines for Ministers who are eligible to receive payments from the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Board of Retirement and Insurance:

1. The applicant must be retired from his full time ministry. (Retired means he is no longer receiving a regular salary from his ministry.)

2. The applicants' name must be submitted to the Board of Retirement and Insurance by the local church of which he or she is a member. This local church must be affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

3. The applicant must be either 65 years of age or disabled (disabled means that he has been physically unable to earn any money for the last 6 months.) At such time that he is again able to earn money and is under 65 he is no longer eligible for payments from this board.

4. The applicant must have been pastoring church affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptists for at least 10 years prior to retirement or disability.

5. At least one of the following must apply to the applicant:

a. He was born in North Carolina, has pastored churches affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptist for at least 10 years prior to his disability or retirement and he or his widow is now living in North Carolina.

b. He was born in North Carolina, has pastored North Carolina churches affiliated with the

National Association of Free Will Baptists for at least 15 years and he or his widow is now living in another state.

c. He was born outside of North Carolina, has pastored North Carolina churches affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptist for at least 20 years and he or his widow is now either living in North Carolina or another state.

6. The widow whose husband has met eligibility requirements is also eligible for payments until death as long as she is at least 60 years of age and unmarried.

7. The applicant must hold a certificate or ordination into the Gospel Ministry accepted by his local conference or association and be in good standing with such local conference or association.

BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE

TREASURER'S REPORT

BALANCE \$ 417.89

RECEIPTS:

GENERAL FUND

Liberty - Durham	81.25
Sherwood Forest - New Bern	88.35
State Program	128.97
Ruth's Chapel - New Bern	86.40
Faith - Goldsboro	10.00
Pleasant Acres - New Bern	50.00
Lowell FWB Church	5.00
West Duplin	<u>50.00</u>

499.97

RETIRED MINISTER'S FUND

Woman's Auxiliary of N.C.	23.00
Cramerton FWB Church	<u>50.00</u>

73.00

First Church - Washington
(Pastor's Retirement)

37.50

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR \$610.47

DISBURSEMENTS:

Aug. 6 Board Expenses	40.36
Aug. 20 Nat'l Bd. of Ret. & Ins.	337.50
Sep. 23 Travel Expenses	33.00
Nov. 28 Travel Expenses	84.00
Jan. 26 Travel Expenses	82.80
May 5 Travel Expenses	123.30
Telephone Calls	<u>63.67</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS 764.63

BALANCE ON HAND \$ 263.73

PROPOSED BUDGET
1976-77

Proposed Budget \$1,500.00

This account has not been audited.

Eddie Riddick
Secretary - Treasurer

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION INVITATION COMMITTEE

Charlotte, North Carolina is an ideal location for the 1979 National Association of Free Will Baptists. It has ideal lodging and meeting facilities and is within easy driving distance to approximately 1/2 of the Free Will Baptist of the United States.

Though Charlotte is more expensive than usual National Association sites, our Executive Secretary, Bro. Rufus Coffey informs us that if the North Carolina State Association will raise \$6,000.00 the balance of the expenses incurred can be covered through offerings.

Therefore, we your Committee, recommend that we officially invite the 1979 session of the National Association Free Will Baptist to meet in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy F. Owens
Ronald Creech
Billy Gene Outland

STATE MISSION BOARD

SOURCE OF INCOME

April 1, 1975-March 31, 1976

DONOR	AMOUNT
Ahoskie, Ahoskie	33.47
Asheville, Asheville	45.50
Adult S. S. Class, Tippet's Chapel, Clayton	5.00
Adult CTS Class, Union Chapel, Chocowinity	50.00
Blue Ridge Association	48.36
Calvary, Durham	155.00
Calvary, Jacksonville(79.00 Forward to Rest Home)	308.00
Calvary, Swannanoa	177.00
Canton, Canton	1,248.17
Cedar Hill, Asheville	560.07
Cardinal Village, Jacksonville	158.00
Coastal Association	250.00
Country View, Goldsboro	195.91
Colonial Heights, Clinton	64.17
Davis, Davis (100.00 forward to Promotional Dept.)	200.00
Emmanuel, Jacksonville	379.28
Faith, Goldsboro	203.50
Faith, Washington	300.00
Fairview, Marion	386.95
Fellowship, Micro	485.00
First, Raleigh	395.79
First, Marion	30.00
First, Beaufort	1,143.21
First, Gastonia	242.34
First, Stanley	12.00
First, Washington	575.00
Five Points, Pinetown	160.00
FWB Church, Morganton	55.21
Garner, Garner	190.57
Grace, Rocky Mount	215.00
Harriett Memorial, Caroleen	735.22
Hazel Clark, Chocowinity	140.00

STATE MISSION BOARD CONTINUED:

DONOR	AMOUNT
High Teen Class, Davis	60.00
Immanuel, Winterville	90.00
Keeter Motor, Forest City	269.88
Liberty, Durham	894.29
Lighthouse, Siler City	16.50
Ladies Auxiliary, Faith, Washington	45.00
Ladies Auxiliary, Union Chapel, Chocowinity	141.92
Ladies Auxiliary Faith, Maysville	8.10
State Woman's Auxiliary	35.00
Mission Service-State Association	676.41
Maranatha, Greenville	561.40
Mt. Calvary, Hookerton	1,274.00
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly	560.52
Mt. Olive Sunday School, Plymouth	341.04
Mt. Pleasant, Lexington	25.00
Original, Jacksonville	25.00
Parker's Chapel, Greenville	213.41
Peace, Wilson	226.04
Peace Chapel, Washington	30.00
Palmer Association	100.00
Pleasant Acres, New Bern	250.00
Prospect, Dunn	500.00
Pastor's Class, Union Chapel, Chocowinity	55.00
Primary Class, Davis, Davis	60.00
Ruth's Chapel, New Bern	204.96
Robertson Creek, Bostic	50.00
Rocky Mount, Rocky Mount	227.66
Shady Grove, Durham	420.00
Sherwood Forest, New Bern	508.85
Sandy Acres, Columbia	245.98
State Program	344.06
Stacy, Stacy	46.50
Swannanoa, Swannanoa	120.00
Trinity, LaGrange	216.75
Unity, Smithfield	2,950.00
Union Chapel, Chocowinity	561.95
A.F.C.'s, Union Chapel, Chocowinity	50.00

STATE MISSION BOARD CONTINUED:

DONOR

AMOUNT

West Calvary, Smithfield	394.69
West Duplin, Warsaw	108.00
Victory, Goldsboro	60.00
Rev. & Mrs. Charlie Dixon, Chocowinity	83.00
Phil Godwin, Micro	3.00
Watson & Gloria Elks, Chocowinity	20.00
Western Piedmont Association	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. Mayhue Wiggins, Chocowinity	30.00
Mrs. Walter Taylor, Chocowinity	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Sheppard, Chocowinity	5.00
Rev. & Mrs. Roger Tripp, Chocowinity	12.00
Susan Williamson, Chocowinity	45.00
Mrs. Lillian McRoy, Chocowinity	2.00
Rev. Ronnie Peele, Goldsboro	100.00
Rev. & Mrs. Larry Hughes, Canton	25.00
Sales of Stove from mobile unit	20.00
Transferred from Roxboro	52.67
Transferred from Bond Account	921.00
Unmarked Funds	89.88
TOTAL RECEIVED	<u>\$23,559.15</u>

Amount Brought Forward	2,572.93	
Total Received	<u>23,559.15</u>	
Total to Acct. For		26,132.08
Total Disbursed		<u>24,932.50</u>
Balance on Hand 3-31-76		\$ 1,199.58

MISSION BOARD RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS 1975-1976

GENERAL FUND	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
April	354.64	612.46
May	835.00	597.19
June	1,559.60	17.14
July	1,067.53	51.06
August	224.04	33.63
September	786.08	32.57
October	920.21	22.99
November	1,154.41	268.83
December	1,314.00	206.02
January	2,798.29	798.70
February	1,119.55	1,551.46
March	<u>827.80</u>	<u>53.00</u>
	13,650.15	4,235.65

DUNN CHURCH

April	100.00	100.00
May	100.00	100.00
June	100.00	100.00
July		
August	200.00	150.00
September	100.00	150.00
October	100.00	
November	100.00	200.00
December	100.00	200.00
January	100.00	
February		100.00
March	<u>1,100.00</u>	<u>1,100.00</u>

MISSION BOARD RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1975-1976 CONTINUED:

	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
LENOIR CHURCH		
April	10.00	10.00
May	10.00	10.00
June	10.00	10.00
July	10.00	10.00
August	10.00	
September	10.00	20.00
October	10.00	
November	10.00	
December	10.00	10.00
January	20.00	
February		20.00
March	<u>10.00</u>	<u>10.00</u>
	120.00	100.00

COUNTRY VIEW, GOLDSBORO

April		
May		
June		
July		
August		
September	50.00	
October	50.00	50.00
November	50.00	50.00
December	50.00	50.00
January		
February		
March	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	200.00	200.00

MISSION BOARD RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS1975-1976 CONTINUED:

	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
WASHINGTON MISSION		
April	418.63	838.00
May	242.50	838.00
June	71.37	918.95
July	537.84	703.95
August	139.95	868.95
September	518.17	754.95
October	445.69	754.95
November	180.73	654.95
December	444.14	754.95
January	481.59	654.95
February	138.47	754.95
March	437.27	754.95
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	4,592.73	9,257.50

SHELBY MISSION

April	19.11	19.11
May	96.03	96.03
June	7.30	7.30
July	4.73	4.75
August	4.56	
September	10.10	8.66
October	5.02	
November		
December		
January	4.30	
February	42.74	42.74
March		
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	189.31	178.29

MISSION BOARD RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1975-1976 CONTINUED:

	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
April	159.07	795.00
May	347.08	795.00
June	141.73	945.00
July	106.13	795.00
August	269.79	945.00
September	286.55	795.00
October	261.34	905.00
November	127.28	715.00
December	681.50	715.00
January	574.17	955.00
February	170.30	766.16
March	<u>441.60</u>	<u>635.00</u>
	3,566.54	9,761.16

MISSION BOARD PROPOSED BUDGET

April 1976 - March 1977

General Fund	850.00
Travel, Maining, Office Supplies, etc.	
Siler City Mission	6,760.00
Washington Mission	7,479.40
General Fund (To Start a New Work)	<u>9,550.00</u>
TOTAL	\$24,639.40

BOARD OF CARE FOR THE AGED PROPOSED BUDGET

April 1, 1976 - March 31, 1977

Board Travel Expenses	200.00
Materials and Supplies	250.00
Telephone Expenses	<u>150.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,300.00

Respectfully submitted,

Elisha W. Fish, Treasurer

BOARD OF CARE FOR THE AGED TREASURER'S REPORT

April 1, 1975 - March 31, 1976

On March 1, 1976, I assumed the responsibility of the office of the Treasurer of our Board, transferring all funds to the Western Carolina Bank at Asheville, North Carolina.

CHECKING ACCOUNT:

CASH RECEIPTS:

Amount in Checking as of April 1, 1975	759.21
April	38.57
May	105.65
June	48.71
July	159.68
August	270.20
September	225.21
October	.00
November	.00
December	.00
January	125.44

BOARD OF CARE FOR THE AGED TREASURER'S REPORT
CONTINUED:

February	695.35	
March	<u>1,240.34</u>	
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS		3,674.36
TRANSFERRED FROM SAVINGS TO		
CHECKING		<u>23,000.00</u>
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR:		\$26,674.36

DISBURSEMENTS:

April	.00	
May	10.56	
June	438.00	
July	73.54	
August	151.80	
September	75.10	
October	57.90	
November	.00	
December	97.70	
January	619.05	
February	10,094.91	
March	<u>13,229.04</u>	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$24,847.60

TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	\$26,674.36
CASH DISBURSED	<u>24,847.60</u>
CASH ON HAND	<u>1,826.76</u>
ACCOUNTED FOR	\$26,674.36

SAVINGS ACCOUNT:

Balance as of April 1, 1975\$31,552.29

Deposits:

July	500.00
October	1,312.33
November	20,113.32
December	579.42
Interest	
July	394.96

BOARD OF CARE FOR THE AGED TREASURER'S REPORT
CONTINUED:

SAVINGS ACCOUNT:

October	410.03
January	509.09
February	<u>134.18</u>

TOTAL \$55,605.62

Withdrawals:

February	10,000.00
March	<u>13,000.00</u>

TOTAL 23,000.00

TOTAL IN SAVINGS AS OF MARCH

31, 1975 \$32,605.62

Respectfully submitted,

Elisha W. Fish, Treasurer

FREE WILL BAPTIST SUPERANNUATION ASSOC.

P. O. Box 1618

Goldsboro, North Carolina

HOSPITAL GROUP EXPERIENCE REPORT

Beginning October 1975

Ending March 1976

Amount Paid to Blue Cross	\$84,245.27
Claims Paid	\$93,845.88
Incurred Adjustment (Last Year's Loss)	<u>4,052.57</u>
Total Claims Paid by Blue Cross	\$97,898.45
Service Charge Paid to Blue Cross	<u>9,292.25</u>
Total Charges (Paid by Blue Cross)	107,190.70

Loss for Reporting Period - \$22,945.43

Group Hospital Insurance Enrollment

Family.....	246
Individuals.....	50
Medicare Supplement.....	<u>10</u>

Total Enrollment.....306

The experience of our group hospital insurance has been bad this year. An increase in premium can be anticipated October 1, 1976, if the present experience rate continues. We have secured other group insurance coverage at a more economical rate. You can obtain the information concerning this coverage in the Sunday School classroom where the insurance information booth is located during the conference, or by writing F. W. B. Superannuation Association, P. O. Box 1618, Goldsboro, N. C. 27530.

GROUP LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGE

We now have a total enrollment of 144, with a combined total amount of life insurance of \$1,399,000. Privilege of conversion to a permanent policy while on the group at below standard rates is now possible. All policy holders have been notified of the conversion opportunity. We recommend that you convert your policy, if you have any questions, or would like to discuss this, someone in the Sunday School classroom where the insurance information booth is located will be happy to help you, or you may write F.W.B. Superannuation Association, P. O. Box 1618, Goldsboro, N. C. for information.

NEW PREMIUM ANALYSIS (Effective July 1, 1976)

Under Age 65 Only	\$6.50
Under Age 65 With Family.....	\$7.13
Age 65 to 70 Only.....	\$2.60
Age 65 to 70 With Family.....	\$3.23
Age 70 and Over Only.....	\$1.30
Age 70 and Over With Family.....	\$1.93

STATE PROGRAM 1975-1976

INCOME:

Churches	\$6,457.42
Individuals	<u>43.00</u>

TOTAL INCOME \$6,500.42

DISBURSEMENTS:

Printing	2,949.54
Mission Board	669.02
Promotional Department	814.69
Youth Board	351.21
Board of Care	199.69

STATE PROGRAM 1975-1976 CONTINUED:

Board of Ret. & Ins.	\$ 178.17
Postmaster	413.39
Supplies	364.96
Bank Charges	<u>11.66</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$5,952.33</u>
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NET PROFIT OR (LOSS)	548.09
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BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	215.37
DEPOSITS	6,500.42
DISBURSEMENTS	<u>5,952.33</u>

BANK BALANCE (3-31-76)	\$ 763.46
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PROPOSED BUDGET
PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT
1975-1976

Promotional Director Salary	\$10,400.00	
Ins. and Hospitalization	746.28	
Retirement	450.00	
Housing	1,800.00	
Utilities	1,780.00	
Social Security	960.00	
Travel Expense	4,000.00	
Secretary's Salary*	7,800.00	
Office Expense	500.00	
Printing of Minutes	900.00	
National Assoc. Rep. Fee	105.00	
Executive Comm. Members Exp.	200.00	
Postage	550.00	
Honorarium for Clerk	200.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>400.00</u>	
TOTAL		\$30,791.28

*Being paid by Capital Church Bonds. Listed here
for Tax purposes on the advice of the auditor.

CAPITAL CHURCH BONDS, INC.
1975-1976

INCOME:

Churches	\$7,175.00
 TOTAL INCOME	 \$7,175.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Printing - Bonds	1,471.16
Other	191.42
Commissions	200.00
State Minutes	622.00
Travel-Food & Lodging	152.19
Mileage	395.83
Utilities	33.38
Donations	4,222.00
Supplies - Office	74.19
Other	76.04
Postage - Witness	40.00
Stamps, Bus Chg, etc.	169.40
Advertising	150.00
Promotion	135.00
Legal Fees	15.00
Bank Charges	<u>2.37</u>
 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	 <u>\$7,949.96</u>
 NET PROFIT OR (LOSS)	 (774.96)
 BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	 786.42
DEPOSITS	7,175.00
DISBURSEMENTS	<u>7,949.96</u>
 BANK BALANCE (3-31-76)	 \$ 11.46

PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT
1975-1976

INCOME:

Commissions	\$ 596.70
Individuals	476.00
Churches	10,779.41
Associations	855.00
State Program	814.69
Woman's Auxiliary	395.00
Promotional Director-	
Revivals	1,801.65
Services	2,266.52
Donations	4,222.00
Advertising (Witness)	185.00
Accounts Receivable	<u>79.59</u>

TOTAL INCOME

\$22,471.59

DISBURSEMENTS:

Salaries-Promotional Dir.	9,620.00
Secretarial	2,395.00
N C W/H Tax	(276.21)
FICA	(140.19)
Fed W/H Tax	(337.50)
Office Supplies	487.32
Housing	1,500.00
Utilities	1,610.00
Travel-Promotional Dir.	3,973.50
Executive Comm.	114.60
Insurance-Hospital	594.00
Life	62.19
Representation Fees	105.00
Postage-Permit & Witness	99.00
Stamps, Bus Chgs., etc.	202.66
Payroll Taxes-NC Dept. of Rev.	290.23
U S Treas.Dept.	777.91
Promotion - Room	116.88
Meals	56.05
Honorarium	100.00
Social Security	885.00

PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT 1975-1976 CONTINUED:

DISBURSEMENTS:

Contract Labor	98.00	
Bank Charges	<u>32.79</u>	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$22,366.23
NET PROFIT OR (LOSS)		105.36
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	20.59	
DEPOSITS	22,471.59	
DISBURSEMENTS	<u>22,366.23</u>	
BANK BALANCE (3-31-76)		\$ 125.95

PROMOTIONAL REPORT
1976

God is faithful. He has been good to us again this year. He is far better to us than we deserve.

Our total receipts were not quite as high this year as last year. We have five departments of work asking for gifts from our North Carolina churches. Our total North Carolina activity looks as follows when compared to last year:

	<u>Promotional Dept.</u>	<u>Rest Home</u>	<u>Ret. & Ins.</u>
1975	\$20,080.74	\$1,738.55	\$526.40
1976	\$22,471.59	\$3,674.36	\$610.47
	<u>State Program</u>	<u>C. C. B.</u>	<u>Bible Bk.Store</u>
1975	\$6,900.48	\$9,811.75	\$128,981.34
1976	\$6,500.42	\$7,175.00	\$147,118.00
	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Youth</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
1975	\$27,183.30	\$1,698.59	\$51,227.68
1976	\$23,559.15	\$ 674.24	\$50,989.81

PROMOTIONAL REPORT 1976 CONTINUED:

One of the greatest needs in our over-all work is regular giving. Please see that all of the five departments of our North Carolina work receiving gifts are included in your church's budget. All of our national departments should be included also.

We are now printing 8,000 copies of the WITNESS each month. The WITNESS is now fourteen years old and is serving to keep our churches informed about our work. Send us your news as things of interest happen in your church.

Capital Church Bonds, our own North Carolina bond company, had a fair year this past year. The church bond route is the only way some of our churches can go to obtain the needed amount of money for construction.

This year one of the highlights was the Pastors and Workers Conference in Kinston. One pastor told me that they had seen over 80 people saved at their church since the conference. Praise God! Another one is planned for this year at the same time and place.

Progress on the Rest Home is moving along as we will hear from the Board of Care. The needs of this board are astounding now and will be also when they start to equip it.

Of course, the needs of our other boards are great also - missions, youth, retirement and insurance, and the promotional department.

We ask you, our people, to pray earnestly for our North Carolina work and to give generously and regularly to each phase of it. May God's richest blessings be upon you.

--Ronald Creech

MINUTES
of the
FOURTEENTH SESSION

of the
NORTH CAROLINA
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

of the
NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION

of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

GRIFTON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
GRIFTON, NORTH CAROLINA
May 4, 1976

PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Fourteeneth Annual Session of the Woman's Auxiliary of the N. C. Association of Original Free Will Baptists, convening with the Grifton Free Will Baptist Church, Grifton, North Carolina, May 4, 1976.

Theme: "A Changing World and A Changeless Christ"

Watchword: Hebrews 13:8

Song Director for the day was Mrs. Mrya Lowery as pianist and Mrs. Barbara Key as organist.

The Stanley Trio opened the meeting with special music, "What a Beautiful Day."

The welcome was extended by Mrs. Florence Braswell to which Mrs. Myrtle Parris responded.

Congregational singing of "America The Beautiful" was led by Mary Nell Beck.

Devotional thoughts were brought by Mrs. Nina Rikard. Her scripture was taken from Malachi 3:6. Prayer was led by Brother Bob King.

Special music was then presented by the Stanley Trio "He Never Changes."

The Convention was called to order by President, Mrs. Joanne King. She recognized the Missionaries, Ministers, Delegates, District Presidents and visitors. During her opening remarks she reminded us of Christ being the same in this changing world. Prayer was then led by Brother James Pittman.

The following committees were appointed by the President:

Credentials: Mrs. Helen Hamlett-chairman, Mrs. Jewel Andrews, Mrs. Phyllis Efird.

Registration: Mrs. Margrette Hughes-chairman, Mrs. Karen Barbour.

Finance: Mrs. Myrtle Parris-chairman, Mrs. Lois Reagen, Mrs. Almeta Allen, Mrs. Myra Lowery, Mrs. Florence Braswell.

Resolution: Mrs. Jean Stephens-chairman, Mrs. Patty Ferrell, Mrs. Elizabeth Dudley, Mrs. Dora Carter, Mrs. Annie Heath.

Mrs. Carolyn Riddick, Missions Chairman gave a report on the Missions Project. She gave praise to the Lord for this good report and the Doxology was sung during this time.

Faith Missions, Washington presented the State Missions \$75.00 as a thanks offering because without someone's caring for missions they would not have had a church.

Mrs. Peggy Outland then gave a report for information on Mission Emphasis.

After a short recess the congregation was called back to order with the singing of "Rock of Ages".

Special music was then provided by the Stanley Trio singing "Just Any Day Now."

The offering was then received.

Mike Russell gave a special reading on the "Pledge of Allegiance."

Special music was then provided by Mrs. Joanne King, Mrs. Almata Allen, and Mrs. Karen Barbour, "How I Love Jesus."

Our speaker for the worship service was the Rev. Bobby Aycock, Missionary to Brazil who was home on furlough. His message was taken from the theme verse Hebrews 13:8 and was very challenging to each of us.

The morning session was concluded with prayer led by Rev. Guy Ganey.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened with the congregation singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus."

Devotions for the afternoon were by Mrs. Annie Heath taken from Psalm 90:1 and 2.

Special music was then given by the Stanley Trio "Joy Comes In The Morning."

Mrs. Joanne King then gave a brief memorial service in honor of auxiliary members who gave gone on to be with the Lord since the last meeting. Rev. Eddie Riddick then honored these ladies with a brief word from 1 Corinthians 13:12 and a word of prayer.

Mrs. Carolyn Riddick then led the congregation in chorus time.

Mrs. Peggy Outland then gave a short program on emphasis for N. C. State Missions. The State Missions Board and the Mission Pastors were honored with the

giving of \$1,430.00 from the Woman's Auxiliary members from over the state. Each board member and mission pastor then gave a word about State Mission work in N. C. Also Rev. Rudolph Outlaw, who has the Mobile Unit gave a word of appreciation for the use of this unit. Rev. Larry D. Hughes, chairman of the mission board, then gave a word of appreciation for this good offering.

The Rev. Ronald Creech then gave a report on Mrs. Sandra Dupree's case coming to trial. He then led in prayer that justice might prevail for her.

The minutes of the executive meetings were then read for information.

Mrs. Carolyn Riddick then gave our project for the new year which is a continuing of the walk-in freezer for the Bible College which will be \$1,500.00 and \$1,500.00 for the purchase of a projector and christian films to help the missionaries in their work.

Auxiliary members going to the National Association as delegates are as follows: Wanda McClure, Margrette Hughes, Myra Lowery, Nina Richard, Ruth Underwood, Beatrice Thomas, Flora Morgan, Lois Regan, Adell Barber, Lenore Cooper, Freda Hall, Barbara Ivey, Maureen Lee, and Carolyn Riddick.

The report of the resolutions committee was given and each item was voted on and adopted. (I did not get a copy of this).

Mrs. Annie Talton, Field Worker, gave her report. This is included elsewhere in this report.

Mrs. Peggy Outland then gave a report on the Auxiliary retreat. Received for the retreat was \$3,705.36 with disbursements of \$2,947.90. The motion was made and carried that we have our own retreat this year for North Carolina ladies only. The executive committee would plan the program. A letter will be written to the Virginia ladies explaining our reasons for the change. We think this might encourage more of our ladies to come out for retreat.

Mrs. Jewell Andrews gave the Credentials Committee report which is included elsewhere in this report. Motion was made to adopt.

Mrs. Margrette Hughes gave the Registration Committee's report which is included elsewhere in this report. Motion was made to adopt this report.

Mrs. Myrtle Parris gave the Financial Report which is included elsewhere in this report. Motion was made to adopt.

Mrs. Flora Morgan gave the Nomination Committee report which is included elsewhere in this report. Motion was made to adopt this report.

Ronald Creech spoke on the bookstore and the different things there.

The State Youth Rally will be May 15 at the Liberty F.W.B. Church in Durham, N. C.

The N. C. State Association will meet June 14 and 15 in Stanley, North Carolina.

The National Association will meet July 8 and 9 in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

There will be a school for church finance and for church sect. on May 29.

Report was given by the Resolutions Committee. (This was not given to me).

Mrs. Sue Aycock, Missionary to Brazil installed the new officers.

Mrs. Mary Gilda led in the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Joanne King, President

Mrs. Jane Price

Mrs. Helen Hamlett

FIELD WORKER'S REPORT FOR 1976

District Convention Attended	9
Expenditures	\$44.00
Installation Services	2
Miles Traveled	1650

Respectfully submitted,

Annie Talton

We, the Finance Committee recommend the following disbursements: \$100.00 to Rev. Bobby Aycock with an additional \$26.75 from the Shady Grove Church in Durham, N. C.

\$25.00 to State Promotional Department.

\$25.00 to Greenville Children's Home in Tennessee.

\$25.00 to Home Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Myrtle Parris-Chairman

Mrs. Lois Regan

Mrs. Almeta Allen

Mrs. Myra Lowery

Mrs. Florence Braswell

We, your Credentials Committee wish to submit the following report: Reports from 5 districts and 40 local auxiliaries have been examined as required and found eligible for seats in this convention. They are: Districts, Blue Ridge, Coastal, Palmer, Western Piedmont, and Randall.

Local Auxiliaries

Canton

Cramerton

Sherwood Forest - New Bern

Fairview-Marion

Marion First

White Oak Hill

Zepher Hills

Sandy Acres

Prospect

Immanuel - Winterville

Micro Fellowship

Peach Chapel

Garner

Morehead City

Davis

Cove City

Victory

Tippet's Chapel

Grifton

Pleasant Acres
 Beaufort
 Hope
 West Calvary
 Grimesland
 Calvary - Durham
 Oak Grove
 Shady Grove
 Unity
 First Church - Jacksonville
 First - Washington
 Antioch - Palmer
 Maple Avenue
 Parkers Chapel
 Trinity
 Mount Hope
 Gashen
 Faith - Washington
 Five Points - Coastal
 Marantha
 Five Points

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Helen Hamlett, Chairman
 Mrs. Jewel Andrews
 Mrs. Phyllis Efrid

We, your committee make the following recommendations for officers for our State Auxiliary.

President	Joanne King
Vice President	Peggy Outland
Secretary	Jane Price
Treasurer	Myrtle Price
Mission Chairman	Carolyn Riddick
Field Worker	Annie Talton
Assistant Sect.	Connie Garriis
Registration Chairman	Helen Hamlett
Member at Large	Nina Rikard

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Flora Morgan
Mrs. Novella Propst
Mrs. Erlene Smith
Mrs. Annie Heath
Mrs. Connie Garris

We, the Registration Committee submit the following report:

Delegates	126
Visitors	115
Missionaries	6
Ministers	16
State Officers	8

Total 270

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Margrette Hughes, Chairman
Mrs. Karen Barbour



