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Section 2. The 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 IV. Officers
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 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 had 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.

H. The Promotional Secretary shall serve as historian for the Association. It shall be his responsibility to gather articles and materials for the historical collection. And also shall publish a history of Free Will Baptists, especially as it relates to the history of Free Will Baptists in North Carolina, and shall update the publication periodically.

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 officers 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 \$200.00 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 1977-78

Moderator:

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

Assistant Moderator:

Rev. James Denton
Route 3
Fuquay Varina, N. C. 27526
Phone: 919/552-4684
Unexpired Term (1978)

Clerk:

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

Treasurer:

Rev. Guy Owens
Route 3
603 Colchester Drive.
Knightsdale, N. C. 27545
Phone: 919/266-0328
(1978)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. Homer Arrowood	(1978)	
Rev. James Denton	(1978)	Unexpired Term
Rev. Billy Gene Outland	(1978)	
Rev. Guy Owens	(1978)	
Rev. John Goss	(1978)	
Rev. Howard Messer	(1979)	
Rev. Benny Turner	(1980)	

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1977-78 CONTINUED:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rev. Homer Savage	(1978)	Unexpired Term
Rev. Robert Burke	(1979)	
Rev. Charlie Dixon	(1980)	

BOARD OF MISSIONS

Rev. A. C. Morgan	(1978)	Unexpired Term
Rev. Larry Hughes	(1979)	
Rev. Ted Reynolds	(1980)	
Rev. Sherman Branch	(1981)	
Rev. Burt Hall	(1982)	

BOARD OF CARE FOR THE AGED

Rev. Ken Hardison	(1978)	Unexpired Term
Rev. Milton Hollifield	(1979)	Unexpired Term
Rev. William Fish	(1980)	
Rev. J. C. Lynn	(1981)	
Rev. James Pauley	(1982)	

BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE

Rev. John Craft	(1978)	
Rev. Eddie Riddick	(1979)	
Rev. Roy Rikard	(1980)	
Rev. Larry Stevens	(1981)	
Rev. Fred Hall	(1982)	

BOARD OF YOUTH RELATIONS

Rev. Bill Reagan	(1978)	
Rev. Donnie Miles	(1979)	
Mr. Lawrence Tart	(1980)	Unexpired Term
Rev. Lorenzo Stox	(1981)	
Rev. Earl Bittle	(1982)	

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1977-78 CONTINUED:

BIBLE BOOK STORE

Rev. Sigbee Dilda	(1978)	Unexpired Term
Rev. Dennis Lowry	(1979)	
Rev. Bob King	(1980)	
Mr. Lee Thomas	(1981)	
Rev. Dennis Wiggs	(1982)	

LEAH WADDELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Mrs. Delsie Waters	(1978)
Rev. Albert Rollins	(1979)
Mrs. Peggy Outland	(1980)

MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED
AT THE STATE ASSOCIATION
June 13, 14, 1977
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION

Earl Bittle.....124 Oakland Dr.
Frank Cantrell.....316 Melody Circle, Swannanoa
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Milton A. Hollifield.....Box 281, Swannanoa
Larry D Hughes.....Box 1346, Canton
J. C. Lynn.....227 Johnston Blvd., Asheville
Howard Messer.....106 Kerlee St., Blk. Mtn
Ted ReynoldsBox 385, Caroleen

COASTAL ASSOCIATION

Robert F. Burke.....Rt. 4, Box 342-C, Pinetown
Bobby Chandler.....Rt. 1, Box 562, Chocowinty
Melvin ClarkBox 1845 Greenville
Sigbee DildaBox 478, New Bern
Charlie Dixon.....Box 143, Chocowinty
Freeman Edwards507 Cheyenne Rd., Jacksonville
Bill FulcherPanama
John C. Goss.....334 West Ave., Plymouth
Paul F. Hall.....Rt. 1, Box 597, Chocowinty
Ron Ivey208 E. 9th St., Washington
Billy Jackson13 White Oak St., Jacksonville
J. V. JohnsonRt. 2, Kenly
Bill KellumRt. 5, Box 454, Jacksonville
Jerry McClaryRt. 3, Rosedale, Washington
Donnie MilesBox 568, Beaufort
Washington MilesBox 1131, Williamston
A. C. Morgan.....Rt. 1, Box 183, Columbia
Rudolph Outlaw100 White Oak St., Jacksonville
Leon PageRt. 2, Richlands
Jerry Rackley.....901 Everett St., Ahoskie
William Reagan.....910 Bridges St., Morehead City

Eddie Riddick2411 Glenwood Ave., New Bern
 Albert Rollins..... Rt. 3, Box 83, Plymouth
 William Sealy Box 146, Cove City
 Timothy Thompson..... Rt. 3, Box 486, Jacksonville
 Delmus Walker..... Box 41, Davis
 Dennis Wiggs..... Box 568, Beaufort

PALMER ASSOCIATION

Alfred Cates..... Box 906, Winterville
 Jack Cox Box 157, Hookerton
 Frank Davenport906 Guilford St., Goldsboro
 Harvey Dupree.....704 Chestnut, Scotland Neck
 Robert Durham329 Kingston Ave., Rocky Mount
 Earl Gilliam1603 W. Gannon Ave., Zebulon
 Eugene Hales Rt. 2, Box 136-A1, Warsaw
 Burt Hall..... Rt. 5, Box 113, Greenville
 Earl Hanna Box 216
 Alvis Harris301 Nichols Dr., Greenville
 R. P. Harris1200 Tarboro St., Rocky Mt.
 Gordon Hart801 N. Hills Dr., Ayden
 Van Dale Hudson109 John Ave., Greenville
 Billy Keith509 Kingston Ave., Rocky Mount
 Rashie Kennedy, Sr..... Box 650, Goldsboro
 Richard Kennedy..... Box 7106, Greenville
 G. C. Lee1806 Wayne Memorial Dr., Goldsboro
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 Johnny PikeBox 3204, Kinston
 James Pittman Box 537, Grifton
 Lorenzo Stox Box 1159, Goldsboro
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 Rodney WhaleyBox 533, Elm City

PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION

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Frank McQuage.....Box 965, Rockingham
 Benny Turner.....1300 W. Catawba Ave., Ext.

RANDALL ASSOCIATION

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 Ron Callaway.....Raleigh
 Randy CoxRaleigh
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 J. M. Creech..... Rt. 3, Box 297, Dunn
 Ronald Creech Box 11277, E. Durham
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 Nathan Eason Rt. 3, Box 78, Clayton
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 Doug Henderson..... 4108 Kincaid Dr., Raleigh
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 Charles Keith..... 3832 Hermine St., Durham
 Ray Lewis 609 Mineral Springs Rd., Durham
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 Hubert Mangum..... 505 Buckbronch, Garner
 Ralph Osborne904 S. Fifth St., Smithfield
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 Guy F. Owens Box 11186, Durham
 Bobby Glenn Smith 4704 Ramsey, Fayetteville
 James SteppsSiler City
 Sam R. Truett 401 Powell St., Smithfield
 Dan Underwood.....Rt. 11, Box 31B, Sanford
 Eugene Waters Box 2012, Goldsboro
 Conrad Williford 2409 Barrymore Ave., Durham

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 W. H. Calvert402 E. 5th St., Gastonia

James K. Childres702 Turner St., Lincolnton
 Wayne Dills Box 92, Waxhaw
 Kenneth Hardison, Sr....517 Pleasant Ave., Kannapolis
 James Pauley 613 Ben Ave., Kannapolis
 Homer R. Savage Rt. 2, Box 746, Dallas
 Gaither Summitt418 E. Trade St., Dallas
 Ralph L. Wills401 N. Bostian St., China Grove

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 H. D. Harrison..... Nashville, Tenn.
 Herman Hersey..... Nashville, Tenn.
 Paul Kettelman..... Nashville, Tenn.
 Davis McGowan Nashville, Tenn.
 John D. Murray, Jr. Michigan
 James Earl Raper Greenville, Tenn.
 R. J. Reynolds..... Marion
 Roy Thomas Nashville, Tenn.
 Jack L. Williams Nashville, Tenn.

DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS SENDING REPORTS

1. Coastal - Rev. William Reagan, Moderator
 910 Bridges St., Morehead City,
 North Carolina
2. Palmer - Rev. George C. Lee, Moderator,
 1403 East Ninth Street, Goldsboro, N. C. 27530
3. Randall - Rev. John S. Craft, Moderator,
 104 W. Langdon, Smithfield, N. C. 27577
4. Western Piedmont - Rev. Wayne Dills, Moderator,
 P. O. Box 92, Waxhaw, N. C. 28173

CHURCHES REPORTING TO THE 1977 SESSION

BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION

1. Avery's Creek, Arden
2. Calvary, Swannanoa
3. Canton, Canton
4. Cedar Hill, Asheville
5. East Fork, Mars Hill
6. Fairview, Marion
7. First, Black Mountain
8. First, Marion
9. First, Spruce Pine
10. Friendly, Morganton
11. Harriett Memorial, Caroleene
12. Holly Grove, Waynesville
13. Homer's Chapel, Black Mountain
14. Lenoir First, Lenoir
15. Meadowbrook, Black Mountain
16. Morganton, Morganton
17. Mount Bethel, Weaverville
18. Nowlings Chapel, Morganton
19. Old Fort, Old Fort
20. Robertson Creek, Bostic
21. Rocky Pass, Nebo
22. Swannanoa, Swannanoa
23. Walnut, Marshall
24. Zephyr Hills, Asheville

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, Jacksonville
9. Faith, Washington
10. First, Beaufort
11. First, Washington
12. Five Points, Washington
13. Friendship, Wilmington
14. Jacksonville First, Jacksonville
15. Morehead City First, Morehead City
16. Mount Olive, Plymouth
17. Palmetto Chapel, Vanceboro
18. Peace Chapel, Washington
19. Pleasant Acres, New Bern
20. Richlands First, Richlands
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. Bethel, Kinston
5. Faith, Goldsboro
6. Fellowship, Micro
7. Grace, Greenville
8. Grace, Rocky Mount
9. Grifton, Grifton
10. Grimesland, Grimesland
11. Hope, Scotland Neck

12. Immanuel, Winterville
13. Liberty, Ayden
14. Maranatha, Greenville
15. Mt. Calvary, Hookerton
16. Parker's Chapel, Greenville
17. Peace, Wilson
18. St. John's, Goldsboro
19. Tabernacle, Kinston
20. Temple, Greenville
21. Trinity, Greenville
22. Trinity, La Grange
23. Victory, Goldsboro
24. West Duplin, Warsaw
25. White Oak Hill, Bailey
26. Wildwood, Wilson

PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION

1. Bethel, Gastonia
2. Catawba, Belmont
3. Clermont, Kannapolis
4. Clover, Clover, S. C.
5. Faith, Gastonia
6. Faith, Greensboro
7. First, Hamlet
8. First, Lauringburg
9. First, Salisbury
10. Herman, Charlotte
11. Hilltop, Rockingham
12. Hopewell, Rockingham
13. Jefferson Park, Rockingham
14. Kennedy Road, Charlotte
15. Lackey Street, Hamlet
16. Maple Street, Rockingham
17. Mt. Carmel, Lexington
18. Mt. Pleasant, Lexington

19. Near The Cross, Kannapolis
20. New Hope, Rockingham
21. Rachel's
22. Ranlo, Gastonia
23. Ridgeview, Charlotte
24. Sandy Ford, Mt. Holly
25. Sharon, Belmont
26. Shining Light, E. Rockingham
27. South Point, Belmont
28. United, Concord

RANDALL ASSOCIATION

1. Calvary, Durham
2. College Lakes, Fayetteville
3. Fellowship, Dunn
4. First, Raleigh
5. Friendship, Coats
6. Garner, Garner
7. Hilltop, Fuquay-Varina
8. Immanuel, Durham
9. Kendale Acres, Sanford
10. Liberty, Durham
11. Oak Grove, Durham
12. Prospect, Dunn
13. Shady Grove, Durham
14. Sheraton Park, Greensboro
15. Tippet's Chapel, Clayton
16. Unity, Smithfield
17. West Calvary, Smithfield

WESTERN PIEDMONT

1. Ben Avenue, Kannapolis

2. Bessemer City, Bessemer City
3. Bethel, Kannapolis
4. Boger City, Lincolnton
5. Cramerton, Cramerton
6. Emmanuel, Dallas
7. First, China Grove
8. First, Gastonia
9. First, Kannapolis
10. First, Mt. Holly
11. Laurel, Charlotte
12. Living Hope, Gastonia
13. Mable Avenue, Kannapolis
14. Mtn. View, Dallas

YADKIN VALLEY ASSOCIATION

1. Arrington Heights, Lexington

1. Bethel, Gastonia
2. Catawba, Belmont
3. Clermont, Kannapolis
4. Clover, Clover, S. C.
5. Faith, Gastonia
6. Faith, Greensboro
7. First, Hamlet
8. First, Laurinburg
9. First, Salisbury
10. Herman, Charlotte
11. Hilltop, Rockingham
12. Hopewell, Rockingham
13. Jefferson Park, Rockingham
14. Kennedy Road, Charlotte
15. Lackey Street, Hamlet
16. Maple Street, Rockingham
17. Mt. Carmel, Lexington
18. Pleasant, Lexington

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

When convened with the First Free Will Baptist
Church, Raleigh, N. C. , June 13, 14, 1977

MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 13, 11:00 A.M.

The Monday morning service was presided over by Rev. Randy Cox of Raleigh, N. C. Bro. Doug Henderson of the Raleigh Church led the congregation in singing "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms." Bro. Marvin Williams, layman from the Raleigh Church brought an excellent devotional on the subject "Letting Our Light Shine." We were welcomed to Raleigh by the host pastor, Bro. Randy Cox, who extended a most gracious welcome. Bro. Homer Arrowood responded to the welcome.

Bro. Arrowood gave the appointment of three committees. Bro. Bob Burke, Bro. Norman Adams, and Bro. Howard Messer were appointed to the Credentials Committee. This committee was asked to also serve as the Placement Committee. The Finance Committee consisted of Bro. Fred Green, Bro. Bill Gardner, and Bro. Milton Hollifield. Bro. Dennis Wiggs, Bro. Dennis Lowry, and Bro. Sigbee Dilda were appointed to serve as the Resolutions Committee.

The 1977 session was officially called to order by the Clerk, Gene Outland. Bro. Doug Henderson led the congregation in singing "Blessed Assurance." Bro. Randy Cox and Bro. Doug Henderson sang "The Old Rugged Cross." Bro. Randy Cox introduced the messenger for the morning service, Bro. Sam Truett, pastor of the West Calvary Church in Smithfield.

MONDAY MORNING, JUNE 13, 11:00 A.M. CONTINUED:

Bro. Truett used the text Colossians 2:8-10 and spoke on the "Completeness of Christ." Bro. Truett spoke of how Paul exalts Christ, exposes the cults, exalts the Christ-like life, and presents Christ as the all sufficient Christ in the book of Colossians. He spoke concerning the uniqueness of the person of the Lord Jesus Christ and how this contributed to our being complete in Christ. He then pointed out the Completeness in Christ because of the unfailing provisions of Christ. The powerful Bible message by Bro. Truett was a great blessing.

Following the morning message the host pastor gave information and directions concerning the lunch hour. The moderator urged everyone to be back to begin the afternoon session on time and asked the various boards to be ready with their reports.

We were dismissed for lunch.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, JUNE 13

The Monday afternoon session began by singing "Oh, How I Love Jesus" led by Bro. Doug Henderson. Bro. Ted Reynolds led in prayer. Bro. Homer Arrowood brought the moderator's message using as his text Luke 9:49-56. Bro. Arrowood spoke concerning the danger of being filled with the wrong spirit. He mentioned several wrong spirits such as, a powerless spirit, an inflated spirit and an intolerant spirit.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, JUNE 13 CONTINUED:

Bro. Arrowood's message emphasized the importance of being filled with the Holy Spirit.

At the request of the moderator a motion prevailed to adopt the prepared program as our order of business with devotions being permitted as deemed wise or necessary by the moderator.

The moderator recognized out-of-state visitors. Bro. Herman Hersey of the Board of Retirement and Insurance, Nashville, Tennessee, Bro. H. D. Harrison of the Sunday School Department, Nashville, Tennessee, Bro. Roy Thomas of the Board of National Home Missions, Nashville, Tennessee, Bro. Jack Williams, of the Executive Department, Nashville, Tennessee, Bro. & Mrs. Paul Kette-man, of the Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee, Bro. E. W. Tippet and Mrs. Kathryn Tippet, Nashville, Tennessee, Bro. & Mrs. James Earl Raper, of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Greenville, Tennessee, Bro. John D. Murray Jr., Detroit, Mich, Bro. David McGowen, Nashville, Tennessee. Visitors from within the state were recognized -- Bro. & Mrs. John Hall Jr., Reidsville, N. C. and Linda Callaway, missionary appointee.

The congregation sang " Joy Unspeakable" led by Bro. Doug Henderson.

The moderator recognized Bro. Bob Burke for a partial report of the Credentials Committee. A motion prevailed that the request for a new association (Foot Hills Association) be accepted into the State Association be referred to the Executive Committee and that the New Association be received under the watch-care of the State Association until the 1978 session.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, JUNE 13 CONTINUED:

Bro. Arrowood gave time for miscellaneous business and there were several comments concerning the Capital Church Bond Program. Motion prevailed as ammended that the matter of the continuation of the Church Bond Program be referred to the Executive Committee for study and a report brought back to this body.

The moderator recognized Mrs. Peggy Outland for the report of the State Woman's Auxilliary Convention. Her report related goals being reached and many accomplishments during the past year. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information. (See the report)

Bro. Eddie Riddick was recognized by the moderator for the report of the Board of Retirement and Insurance. A motion prevailed to adopt the report of the Board of Retirement and Insurance and adopt their budget. (See the report)

The moderator recognized Bro. Herman Hersey for a report from the National Department of Retirement and Insurance. Motion prevailed to receive the report as information.

Bro. Harold Harrison was recognized to give a report from the National Sunday School Department. Motion prevailed that we receive the report as information.

The moderator called on Bro. Lee Thomas for a report from the National Laymen's Board. Motion prevailed that the report be received as information.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, JUNE 13 CONTINUED:

Motion prevailed that the partial report and recommendations of the Credentials Committee be adopted.

The moderator called for the election of the Nominating Committee. Brothers Dennis Keen, Randy Cox, Bill Reagan, Ted Reynolds and Ken Hardison were nominated and motion prevailed that nominations cease and we proceed to elect.

Bro. Gene Outland was recognized for the reading of the Executive Committee's minutes. Motion prevailed that the minutes of the Executive Committee be accepted. Bro. Outland read the proposed budget for the Promotional Department and motion prevailed that the proposed budget be adopted. (See Proposed budget).

The moderator recognized Bro. Fred Green for the report of the Bible Book Store. Bro. Lee Thomas, chairman of the Bible Book Store Board, shared in the presentation of the report. Motion prevailed that we receive the report of the Bible Book Store Board.

Motion prevailed that we table the proposed Constitution and By-Laws for the Bible Book Store until tomorrow's session.

Bro. Jack Williams was recognized by the moderator.. Bro. Williams gave greetings from the National Offices in Nashville, Tennessee. He commented on the importance of co-operation of support for the Executive Department. He also urged people to attend the National Associational Meeting to be held in Detroit, Mich. He encouraged subscriptions to "Contact" magazine. Motion prevailed that we receive the report by Bro. Williams as information.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, JUNE 13 CONTINUED:

Bro. Albert Rollins was recognized to give the report of the Leah Waddell Student Scholarship Fund. Motion prevailed that we adopt the report of the Leah Waddell Student Scholarship Fund.

The moderator recognized Bro. Harold Critcher for a report from the National Foreign Missions Department. Motion prevailed that we receive the report as information.

Motion prevailed to lay on the table the amendment to the By-Laws by adding the following to Article III; Duties of Officers and Boards. Section I: H. The promotional secretary shall serve as historian for the Association. It shall be his responsibility to gather articles and materials for the historical collection. And also shall publish a history of Free Will Baptists, especially as it relates to the history of Free Will Baptists in North Carolina, and shall update the publication periodically.

Motion prevailed that we recess our business until tomorrow morning at 9:30 A.M.

MONDAY EVENING SESSION, JUNE 13

The Monday evening session was under the direction of the Mission Board. Bro. Ted Reynolds presided during this service. Bro. Doug Henderson led the congregation in singing. The Raleigh Church Choir sang "According To Thy Loving Kindness" and "The Breaking Of The Bread." Bro. Bill Gardner sang "So Send I You Medley." Bro. Roger Tripp introduced the missionaries working under the Mission Board.

MONDAY EVENING SESSION, JUNE 13 CONTINUED:

Bro. James Stepps gave a report on the Siler City work and Bro. Charlie Dixon gave a report on the Washington work. Board member Bro. Burt Hall preached a powerful and heart stirring message from the Word of God. After this challenging message an offering (\$625.89) was received for N. C. Home Missions.

The service was dismissed in prayer.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 14

The Tuesday morning session began with Bro. Doug Henderson leading the congregation in singing "Trust and Obey." Bro. Ken Hardison presided. Bro. Bill Gardner sang "Tell Me That Name Medley." Bro. James Pauley brought the message entitled "Where Is the Lord God of Elijah?" Bro. Pauley stated that the Lord is (1) A God who Hides, (2) A God who Provides, and (3) A God who Guides.

Bro. Dennis Lowry sang "Jesus Paid It All" and Bro. Doug Henderson led the congregation in singing the chorus "He Owns the Cattle on a Thousand Hills." A trio from the Raleigh Church rendered special music. Bro. Ken Hardison then recognized the moderator.

The moderator recognized visitors, Rev. R. P. Harris, Rev. Danny Keen, and Rev. Melvin Clark.

The moderator called for the report of the Board of Care for the Aged.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 14 CONTINUED:

The Chairman was not present nor was any member of the board prepared to give the report. The report was delayed.

Bro. Paul Ketteman was recognized by our moderator. Bro. Ketteman gave an encouraging report from our Bible College and stated that North Carolina had exceeded it's quota for 1976-77. Motion prevailed that the report be received as information.

The moderator recognized Bro. Lorenza Stox for the report of the Board of Youth Relations. Motion prevailed that we receive the report as information and that we adopt the budget for the Board of Youth Relations. (See the report)

Bro. Larry Hughes was recognized by the moderator for the report of the Mission Board. Motion prevailed that we receive the report of the Missions Board and adopt its budget. (See the report)

The moderator recognized Bro. Roy Thomas for a report from the National Home Missions Department. Bro. Thomas challenged us to help spread the gospel throughout America. He stated we still have 10 states where there are no Free Will Baptist Churches. Motion prevailed that we receive the report of the National Home Missions Department as information.

Bro. James Earl Raper, Superintendent of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Greenville, Tennessee was recognized to give his report. Motion prevailed that we receive the report as information.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 14 CONTINUED:

The moderator recognized Bro. Bob Burke for the final report of the Credentials and Placement Committee. Motion prevailed that we receive the report and that we vote on the two items separately. Motion prevailed that we receive the statistical report. (See the report) We received an invitation to convene with the Tabernacle Church, Kinston, N. C. and an invitation from the Goshen Church, Belmont, N. C. Motion prevailed that we accept the invitation from the Goshen Church, Belmont, N. C. to convene for our 1978 session.

Bro. Fred Green was recognized by the moderator for the report of the Finance Committee. Motion prevailed that we adopt the report. (See the report)

The moderator recognized Bro. Dennis Wiggs who gave the report of the Resolutions Committee. Motion prevailed that we receive the report and adopt it item by item. (See the report)

Motion prevailed that we adopt the treasurer's report as given.

There was general discussion concerning the advisability of the continuation of the Promotional Department. Motion prevailed, that we give council to the Executive Committee to continue the Promotional Department and that we urge people to give it their support and that the Executive Committee be instructed to assign quotas to the various Associations to be raised for the Promotional Department. There was a request for a standing vote. There were 79 who favored the motion and 90 opposed.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 14 CONTINUED:

The moderator recognized Bro. Ronald Creech who spoke to encourage the support of the Promotional Department and thanked the people for the vote. Bro. Sigbee Dilda was recognized by the moderator. He stated that he had opposed the motion because he opposed the assigning of quotas for the associations.

The moderator appointed a "Steering Committee" for entertaining the National Association scheduled to convene in Charlotte, N. C. in July, 1979. Bro. Bob King, Bro. James Pauley, and Bro. Milton Hollifield were appointed to this committee.

Motion prevailed that we remove from the table the motion to adopt the Constitution and By-Laws of the Bible Book Store. Motion prevailed that we adopt the proposed Constitution and By-Laws. (See the report of the Bible Book Store Board)

Motion prevailed that we remove from the table the motion to amend the By-Laws by adding to Article III, Section I, paragraph H. Motion prevailed to amend the By-Laws by adding H to Section I under Article III. (See By-Laws)

Motion prevailed that the moderator be authorized to appoint delegates to the National Association.

The moderator urged the congregation to remember in prayer the work of the Board of Care for the Aged.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 14 CONTINUED:

Motion prevailed that Bro. Bobby Potter be contacted and requested to serve as a senator from N. C. on the Laymen's Board and that if he could not serve, that we submit the name of Bro. Gordon Boyd for this position.

The moderator recognized Bro. Dennis Keen for the report of the Nominating Committee. Motion prevailed that we receive the report and the committee's recommendation. Motion prevailed that all names of persons filling unexpired terms be so designated.

Motion prevailed that Bro. Milton Hollifield replace Bro. Billy Allen on the Board of Care for the Aged.

Motion prevailed that all recommendations for positions on the various boards by the Nominating Committee be elected. (See the report)

Motion prevailed that we express by a standing vote, our appreciation to Bro. & Sister Creech for their 10 years of faithful service while Bro. Creech served as Promotional Director for the North Carolina Association of Free Will Baptists.

Motion prevailed that the Historical Collection of the N. C. Association of Free Will Baptists be placed on inventory loan to the National Association of Free Will Baptists Historical Collection at the Free Will Baptist Bible College.

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 14 CONTINUED:

Motion prevailed that the present N. C. Historical Collection or items be turned over by Ronald Creech to the new Promotional Director whenever he is employed. Until the new Promotional Director is hired, Bro. Creech is requested to keep these items in his home.

Motion that we adjourn the 1977 session. We were dismissed in prayer. Adjournment time--- 1:40 P.M.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee submits the following names for consideration:

Assistant Moderator	James Denton (1978) Unexpired Term
Executive Board Member at Large	Benny Turner (1980)
Board of Trustees	Charlie Dixon (1980)
Board of Missions	A. C. Morgan (1978) Unexpired Term
	Burt Hall (1982)
Board of Care	Ken Hardison (1978) Unexpired Term
	James Pauley (1982)
Board of Retirement & Ins.	Fred Hall (1982)
Board of Youth Relations	Earl Bittle (1982)
Bible Book Store Board	Sigbee Dilda (1978) Unexpired Term
	Dennis Wiggs (1982)
Leah Waddell Scholarship Fund	Peggy Outland (1980)

We also recommend that the clerk designate in the listing of officers those who are serving unexpired terms.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Hardison
Randy Cox
Bill Reagan
Ted Reynolds
Dennis Keen

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Whereas, the sin of homosexuality is making inroads in our country and is receiving national attention,

Whereas, Mrs. Anita Bryant is making an effort to combat this evil,

1. Be it resolved that the N. C. State Association of FWB commend her for her efforts in the campaign, and

Be it resolved that we denounce this gross sin and encourage our pastors and churches to do the same.

Be it resolved that this resolution be sent to Mrs. Anita Bryant, and that this resolution be printed in the Witness and given to the Associated Press for publication.

2. Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of appreciation to First Free Will Baptist Church of Raleigh for the gracious way they have entertained this Fifteenth State Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Wiggs
Sigbee Dilda
Dennis Lowry

(The report of the Board of Care for the Aged was not given during the 1977 session, therefore, it was not included in the minutes.)

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
NORTH CAROLIAN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
1976 - 1977**

During the past year your Executive Committee met six times. The purpose of each of these meetings was to transact the business of the North Carolina Association of Free Will Baptists as authorized in the Constitution and By-Laws, or as directed by this body.

Two of our meetings, November 16, 1976 and April 19, 1977 were held jointly with the other boards within our Associational work. At these joint meetings each board had it's individual meeting and then all the boards shared some of its problems, accomplishments and goals. These meetings which were held at the Liberty Church, Durham, N. C. proved profitable as we shared ideas and benefited from the thinking and counsel of the brethren present.

At the first joint meeting, November 16, 1976 during the individual meeting of the Executive Committee we appointed men to replace vacancies on various boards. We discussed matters related to the State Association meeting to be held at the Raleigh Church, June 13, 14, 1977. We discussed the matter of encouraging support to the Promotional Department and other matters which were responsibilities of the Executive Comm. At the second joint meeting, during the time of our individual board meeting we discussed and planned the program for the State Meeting and prepared a budget for the Promotional Dept. for 1977 - 1978. The matters are reflected in our report to the Association and this Association Program. We agreed upon arrangements made with Brother Dennis Lowry to be responsible to edit, print, and mail the Witness.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONTINUED:

Motion prevailed that we borrow the necessary funds from the Wachovia Bank to clear the indebtedness to Brother Ronald and Sister Mary Belle Creech.

In our September 20, 1976 meeting we met with the Board of Care at the Cedar Hill Church, Asheville, North Carolina. We discussed matters relating to the completion and operation of the Rest Home. We endeavored to give counsel advice and encouragement. There was a discussion concerning the possibility of the site for the convening of the 1977 session of the National Association being changed from Detroit, Mich. to Charlotte, North Carolina.

In our meetings January 24, 1977 First FWB Church, Raleigh, February 22, 1977, Liberty FWB Church, Durham, and June 7, 1977, Hilltop Church, Fuquay, we considered the various matters which were responsibilities of our committee. In the meeting, Jan. 22, Bro. Ronald Creech gave his resignation as Promotional Director of the North Carolina Association of Free Will Baptists. The Executive Committee upon accepting Bro. Creech's resignation adopted a resolution stating our appreciation for his services. This resolution was printed in the Witness. In these meetings there was general discussion and planning relating to the clearing of the indebtedness of the Promotional Department and the operation of the Promotional Department.

We believe that this report reflects a fair picture or summation of the endeavors of your Executive Committee during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Homer Arrowood, Moderator
Billy Gene Outland, Clerk

(The report of the Board of Care for the Aged was not given during the 1977 session, therefore, it was not officially received. We included the report for information).

TO THE NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF (ORIGINAL)
FREE WILL BAPTISTS:

GREETINGS IN JESUS' NAME:

We your Board of Care wish to respectfully
make the following report:

The board met a total of nine times during
the year for the purpose of getting a charter
and for overseeing the building of our rest home.

The rest home is almost completed as far as
the building is concerned, with much work left to
be done toward furnishing it and landscaping the
outside. Since the State Association directed us
to build the home, the costs of such a task has
more than doubled. Due to the fact that the
financial support has not been good from across
the State, we are in great need of the funds as
reflected in our treasurer's report in order to
get the job done.

We sincerely believe that it is just as
scriptural to take care of our elderly as it is to
build churches and schools and other facilities,
we urge all the churches across our great state to
please remember the home in your budgets and
start giving toward it's completion now!

The work of the board has consisted mainly
of trying to raise additional funds to complete
what we have started. Our prayer is that all
churches will respond and contribute to this very
worthy project. We wish to thank the few churches
who have been so faithful to give in the past and
wish to encourage others to start giving at once.

Remember this is not a sectional project but a project authorized and begun by The North Carolina State Association. Let us all band together and complete this great work to the glory of God and to the credit of our great denomination.

Because of the recent heavy rains, we have a very urgent need at the present. We must quickly finish the land grading and sow grass to prevent the top soil from washing into the highway.

Please pray and send an offering so that we may sow the grass.

Respectfully submitted,

YOUR BOARD OF CARE

Rev. J. C. Lynn, Chairman
Rev. Troy Smith
Rev. E. W. Fish
Rev. Billy Allen
Rev. James Pauley

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Monday Night Mission Offering	\$ 625.89
Churches and Association	<u>1,365.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,990.89

Respectfully submitted,

Milton Hollifield
Bill Gardner
Fred Green

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Letters from District Associations	3
Letters from Churches	108
Ministers	98
Delegates	43
Visitors	148
Missionaries	7
Out of State Visitors	7

TOTAL ATTENDING ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING: 303

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Rob Burke

Rev. Norman Adams

Rev. Howard Messer

BOARD OF YOUTH RELATIONS

The State Youth Board met three times this year to plan and promote the work of the State Youth Conference -- November 16, 1976, March 22, 1977 and June 13, 1977.

The annual State Youth Conference was held May 7, 1977 at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Gastonia. The sanctuary was packed at the 11:00 service when Dr. Robert Picirilli brought a very challenging message concerning our "Striving for the Masteries."

We had 53 young people participating in the various activities representing 5 different associations. All the kids did a great job. A list of the winners have been placed in your Digest of Reports.

BOARD OF YOUTH RELATIONS CONTINUED:

Thank you for your support.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorenzo Stox, Chairman
William Calvert
Bill Reagan
Donnie Miles
Lawrence Tart

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

August 30, 1976 - May 31, 1977

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD,

AUGUST 30, 1976

(From other Treasurer) \$ 74.56

RECEIPTS

State Program	\$287.72
Liberty FWB, Durham	125.00
Ruth's Chapel, New Bern	89.28
First, Beaufort	64.24
Prospect, Dunn	170.00
First, Washington	187.50
Sherwood Forest, New Bern	171.25
West Duplin, Warsaw	24.00
Mrs. Alma Worthington	5.00
Registration fees for State Youth Conf.	225.00
Offering at State Youth Conference	<u>99.00</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$1,447.99

BOARD OF YOUTH RELATIONS

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT CONTINUED:

TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR: \$1,522.55

DISBURSEMENTS:

Medals and Awards \$135.20

(1976 S. Y. C.)

Checks 9.72

Board members Milage
and Meals

116.55

Postage 16.34

Phone Calls 5.00

Dr. Picirilli (Room,
travel, & Honorarium

for N. C. State Youth 212.43

Conference

Medals & Awards 178.39

(1977 S. Y. C.)

Registration for Comp-
etition at National

105.00

TOTAL EXPENSES:

\$ 778.68

BALANCE ON HAND, MAY 31, 1977

\$ 743.87

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorenza Stox, Treasurer

BOARD OF YOUTH RELATIONS- PROPOSED BUDGET

1977 - 78

State Winners to National Youth Conf.

\$1,000.00

BOARD OF YOUTH RELATIONS - PROPOSED BUDGET
CONTINUED:

National Competition Registration	\$ 175.00
Medals and Awards	150.00
State Questions Kits & Sword Drill	
Bibles	50.00
Postage & Mailing	75.00
Printing	100.00
Board Members Travel & Meals	200.00
State Youth Conference	250.00
TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET	\$2,000.00

NORTH CAROLINA 1977 STATE YOUTH WINNERS

BIBLE BOWL

Pleasant Acres F.W.B. -Judi Bremer
Vivian Waller
Sandy Laughinghouse
Lisa Bowie

BIBLE TIC TAC TOE

First, Beaufort Michael Wiggs
Elizabeth Brock
Lisa Dudley
Jennifer Wiggs

STATE SWORD DRILL

First, Beaufort Gaye Atwood

STATE BIBLE MEMORY

1st Grade-First, Beauf. Michelle Race
2nd Grade- Shady Gr.,Dur. Stephen Chandler
3rd Grade- Prospect,Dunn Jonathan Tart

MUSIC AND ARTS

NORTH CAROLINA 1977 STATE YOUTH WINNERS CONT.:

Category I (Vocal Solo)

Adventurer

Rodney Brown

Canton F.W.B. Church

Crusader

Jeff Gaskins

Ruth's Chapel, New Bern

Category II (Vocal Ensemble)

Carletta & Carl Cannon
First, Beaufort

Category IV (Instrumental Solo)

Bryan Edwards
First, Beaufort

Category V (Instrumental Ensemble)

Karen Howell &
Angie Barrow
Sherwood Forest, New
Bern

Category VI (Keyboard) Adventurer

Billy Reagan
First, Morehead

Crusader

Karen Howell
Sherwood Forest, New
Bern

Category VII (Oral Communication)

Adventurer

Gaye Atwood
First, Beaufort

Herald

Carol Daw
Ruth's Chapel, New
Bern

NORTH CAROLINA 1977 STATE YOUTH WINNERS CONT.:

Crusader

Barbara Fillingame
First, Beaufort

Category VIII
(Creative Arts)

Crusader

Suzzette Cannon
First, Beaufort

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE LEAH WADDELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Balance on hand June 10, 1976	\$ 526.95
Total receipts for the year	554.06
Total to account for	<u>\$1,081.01</u>
Disbursements	
Scholarships	450.50
Intangible Tax	.48
Balance on hand June 10, 1977	<u>\$ 680.03</u>

Total Receipts as follows:

N. C. Woman's Auxiliary	466.75
Unity FWB Church	50.00
Earned Interest	37.31
	<u>\$ 554.06</u>

Scholarships of \$100 each were given to the following:

Miss Sydney Barnes, Miss Sheryl Williford,
Miss Marcia Waddell, and Mrs. Rhonda Waddell
Sagraves.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Albert Rollins
Mrs. Delsie Waters
Mrs. Carolyn Riddick, Treas.

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, 1977 and the related statements of income 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 position of THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC. at March 31, 1977, 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

* Copied Verbatim From Digest of Reports

BIBLE BOOK STORE REPORT

The Bible Book Store met three times during the past year: September 14th at Fellowship Church in Durham, four members attended; November 16th at Liberty F.W.B. Church, Durham, in joint session with the General Board, two members were present; April 19th at Liberty F.W.B. Church, Durham, in joint session with the General Board, three members were present.

Our board agreed to have our fiscal year end on December 31st of each year rather than March 31st, to become effective in 1977. This will give us an opportunity to give a more accurate reporting of our progress at the General Board meeting prior to the Annual State meeting each year.

Proposed By-Laws for the Book Store have been re-written, as instructed at the 1975 session of the State Association, and will be presented for approval during the current session.

Our board is still negotiating with the Leasing Representatives of the Duke Mall for the space we now occupy. We are currently operating on a month-to-month basis at the cost of \$620 per month.

Our sales increased approximately 11% over the past year and our financial report for the year shows a small profit. We feel that the store is making very definite progress and covet your prayers and continued support.

Rev. Albert Rollins
Mrs. Delsie Waters
Mrs. Carolyn Riddick, Treas.

The members of the Book Store Board wish to commend Bro. Fred Green for the good job he is doing. We welcome you to stop in for a visit at YOUR Book Store at every opportunity you have.

Respectfully submitted,

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

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

BALANCE SHEET
MARCH 31, 1977

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash (Note 1)	\$ 2,136
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$63	3,667
Inventory (Note 2)	<u>37,371</u>

CURRENT ASSETS \$ 43,174

PLANT AND EQUIPMENT -at
 cost, less accumulated
 depreciation of \$5,009
 (Note 3)

8,314

UNAMORTIZED ORGANIZATION
 EXPENSE

435

\$ 51,923

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$ 18,135
Current maturities of long-term debt (Note 4)	2,450
Accrued taxes	935
Accrued interest	<u>528</u>

CURRENT LIABILITIES \$ 22,048

LONG-TERM DEBT -less current
maturities (Note 4) 17,400

RETAINED EARNINGS 12,475

\$ 51,923

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1977

SALES \$169,257

COST OF SALES

Inventory- April 1, 1976	\$ 24,976
Purchases	128,143
Freight and postage	<u>4,784</u>
	157,903
Inventory- March 31 1977	<u>37,371</u>

COST OF SALES \$120,532

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1977 CONTINUED:

GROSS PROFIT \$ 48,725

OTHER INCOME 232

GROSS PROFIT AND OTHER INCOME \$ 48,957

OPERATING EXPENSES

Salaries \$ 21,698

Contract labor 213

Repairs and maintenance 355

Payroll taxes 1,566

Telephone 632

Rent (Note 5) 7,440

Utilities 2,710

Insurance 1,265

Taxes and licenses 732

Offices supplies and exp. 585

Legal and accounting 2,440

Bank charges 73

Advertising 1,012

Transportation and parking 656

Interest 1,255

Depreciation 1,627

Bad debt expense 252

Amortization of

organization expense 124

Dues and subscriptions 88

Collection expense 106

Equipment rental 167

Loss on disposal of plant

and equipment 270

Miscellaneous 88

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE

\$ 45,354

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1977 CONTINUED:

NET INCOME	\$ 3,603
RETAINED EARNINGS- April 1, 1976	<u>8,872</u>
RETAINED EARNINGS- March 31, 1977	<u>\$12,475</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, 1977

RESOURCES PROVIDED	
Net income	\$ 3,603
Add amount not requiring outlay of working capital in the current period -	
Depreciation and amortization	1,751
Loss on disposal of plant and equipment	<u>270</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES PROVIDED (FROM OPERATIONS)	<u>\$ 5,624</u>

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1977 CONTINUED:

RESOURCES APPLIED

Purchase of plant and equipment	\$ 473
Reclassification to current liabilities of portion of debt within one year	1,950
Increase in working capital	<u>3,201</u>

TOTAL RESOURCES APPLIED \$ 5,624

CHANGES IN WORKING CAPITAL

Current Assets - increase (decrease)	
Cash	\$ (493)
Accounts receivable	(91)
Inventory	12,395
Prepaid rent	<u>(620)</u>

Increase in Current Assets \$ 11,191

Current Liabilities - increase (decrease)

Accounts payable	\$ 7,732
Current maturities of long-term debt	1,200
Accrued salaries	(395)
Accrued taxes	149
Accrued interest	<u>(696)</u>

Increase in Current Liabilities \$ 7,990

INCREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL \$ 3,201

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

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 1977

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 \$1,841 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.)

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 1977 CONTINUED:

Note 2

Merchandise inventory was taken at retail by seven classifications, Bibles, books, cards, 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, 1977 are as follows:

	<u>Life Range</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Acc. Dep.</u>	<u>Net Bk. Value</u>
Fur. & Fix	3-15 yrs.	\$4,408	\$2,377	\$2,031
Of. Equip.	10-20 yrs.	4,596	1,467	3,129
Leasehold Imp.	5 yrs.	4,319	1,165	3,154
		<u>\$13,323</u>	<u>\$5,009</u>	<u>\$8,314</u>

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
MARCH 31, 1977 CONTINUED:

Note 4

Long-term obligations of The Bible Book Store of Durham, Inc. consist of the following at March 31, 1977:

\$19,850 of General Obligation 7% Sinking Fund Church Building Bonds, Series "A" \$2,450 due within one year. (See Note 1 on previous page.)

Note 5

At the balance sheet date, the store is continuing to occupy an "outside-the-mall" location at the North Duke Mall at a \$620 per month rental rate. Renewal of the original five-year lease agreement, which expired February 15, 1976, is currently being negotiated. At the balance sheet date, no substantial agreement has been reached concerning the terms of the proposed lease agreement.

BY-LAWS

OF

THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

ARTICLE I

Name

1. Name. The name of this corporation is THE BIBLE BOOK STORE OF DURHAM, INC.

ARTICLE II

Directors

1. Composition. The business and property of the corporation shall be managed and controlled by a Board of Directors, who shall be elected annually by the North Carolina Association of Free Will Baptists to hold office until the election and qualification of their respective successors.

2. Number. The number of Directors of the corporation shall be five (5).

3. Resignation. Any Director may resign at any time by giving written notice of such resignation to the Board of Directors and the Clerk of the North Carolina Association of Free Will Baptists.

4. Vacancies. Any vacancy in the Board of Directors occurring during the year shall be filled by the Executive Board of the North Carolina Association of Free Will Baptists.

5. Annual Meetings. Immediately after each annual election the newly elected Directors may meet for the purpose of organization, the election of officers and the transaction of other business.

6. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the Chairman or Secretary and must be called by either of them on the written request of two members of the Board.

7. Notice of Meetings. Notice of all Directors' meetings, except as herein otherwise provided, shall be given by mailing the same at least three (3) days or by telegraphing the same at least one (1) day before the meeting to the usual business or residence address of the Director, but such notice may be waived by any Director. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held without notice at such time and place as shall be determined by the Board. Any business may be transacted at the Directors' meeting. At any meeting at which every Director shall be present, even though without any notice or waiver thereof, any business may be transacted.

8. Quorum. A majority of the Directors shall be necessary and sufficient to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

9. Compensation. Directors shall not receive any stated salary for their services as such, but by resolution of the Board a fixed sum or expenses of attendance, if any, or both, may be allowed by attendance at each regular or special meeting of the Board. The Board of Directors may authorize payment to Directors for rendering unusual or exceptional services to the corporation. Compensation will be appropriate to the value of such services.

10. Powers. All the corporate powers, except such as are otherwise provided for in these By-Laws and in the laws of the State of North Carolina and which are not in conflict with the Constitution and By-Laws of the North Carolina Association of Free Will Baptists, shall be and are hereby vested in and shall be exercised by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may by general resolution delegate to committees of their own number, or to officers of the corporation, such powers as they may see fit.

ARTICLE III

Officers

1. Number. The officers of the corporation shall be the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary-Treasurer, and such other officers with such powers and duties not inconsistent with these By-Laws as may be appointed and determined by the Board of Directors.

2. Election, Term of Office, and Qualifications. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors from among their number, and the other officers shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors from among such persons as the Board of Directors may see fit, at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors.

3. Vacancies. In case any office of the corporation becomes vacant for any cause, the majority of the Directors then in office may elect an officer to fill such vacancy.

4. Chairman. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings. He shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

5. Vice-Chairman. The Vice-Chairman shall perform the duties of the Chairman in his absence and perform any other duties assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

6. Secretary. The Secretary shall have charge of such books, documents, and papers as the Board of Directors may determine and shall have the custody of the corporate seal. He shall attend and keep the minutes of all the meetings of the Board of Directors. He may sign with the Chairman, in the name and on behalf of the corporation, any contracts or agreements authorized by the Board of Directors, and when so authorized or ordered by the Board of Directors, he may affix the seal of the corporation.

He shall, in general, perform all the duties incident to the Office of Secretary, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, and shall do and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

7. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have the custody of all funds, property, and securities of the corporation. He may be required to give bond for the faithful performance of his duties in such sum and with such sureties as the Board of Directors may require. He shall, in general, perform all the duties incident to the Office of Treasurer, subject to the control of the Board of Directors.

8. Salaries. The salaries of all officers shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

9. Removal. Any officer may be removed from office by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all the Directors at any regular or special meeting called for that purpose. Any officer proposed to be removed shall be entitled to at least five (5) days notice in writing by mail of the meeting of the Board of Directors at which such removal is to be voted upon and shall be entitled to appear before and be heard by the Board of Directors at such meeting.

ARTICLE IV

Agents and Representatives

The Board of Directors may appoint such agents and representatives of the corporation with such powers and to perform such acts or duties on behalf of the corporation as the Board of Directors may see fit, so far as may be consistent with these By-Laws, to the extent authorized or permitted by law.

ARTICLE V

Contracts

The Board of Directors, except as in these By-Laws otherwise provided, may authorize any officer or agent to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to a specific instance; and unless so authorized by the Board of Directors, no officer, agent, or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the corporation by any contract or engagement, or to pledge its credit, or render it liable pecuniarily for any purpose or to any amount.

ARTICLE VI

Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the corporation shall be set by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments

The North Carolina Association of Free Will Baptists in session shall have power to make, alter, amend, and repeal the By-Laws of the corporation.

STATE PROGRAM

1976-1977

INCOME:	MARCH	YEAR TO DATE
Churches	685.14	6,022.73
Individuals		33.00
Transferred from Savings		1,587.73
TOTALS	685.14	7,643.46

DISBURSEMENTS:

Printing - Witness	480.38	3,413.61
FWB State Mission Bd.	204.78	980.34
Promotional Dept.	167.80	921.56
Youth Board	61.73	381.76
Board of Care	35.67	221.70
Bd. of Retirement & Insurance	30.45	198.70
Postage- Permit Dep.	45.00	691.37
- Postage Due	12.39	129.03
Supplies	50.85	585.81
Promotion -Meals (Witness volunteer help)		57.60
Equipment		110.84
Bank Charges		4.38
TOTALS	\$1,089.05	\$7,696.70

Balance Brought Forw.	1,114.13	763.46
Deposits	685.14	7,763.46
Disbursements	1,089.05	7,696.70
Bank Balance	710.22	710.22

**PROPOSED BUDGET
PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT
1977 1978**

Promotional Director Salary	\$9,100.00
Insurance and Hospitalization	700.00
Retirement	1,040.00
Housing & Utilities	3,600.00
Travel Expense	4,000.00
Secretary's Salary	4,000.00
Office Expense	500.00
Printing of Minutes	900.00
Nat. Assoc. Representation Fee	105.00
Ex. Comm. Members Expense	200.00
Postage	550.00
Honorarium for Clerk	200.00
Miscellaneous	400.00
TOTAL	\$25,385.00

**PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT
1976 - 1977**

INCOME:	MARCH	YEAR TO DATE
Commissions		288.38
Individual Gifts		561.47

PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT. - 1976 - 1977 CONT.:

Churches	1,980.96	13,542.15
Associations		475.00
State Program	167.80	921.56
Woman's Auxiliary	75.00	588.39
Pro. Dir. - Revivals	315.00	2,890.13
- Services	175.00	2,934.10
Donations	1,550.00	1,550.00
Tax Refund		14.70
Transferred from Savings		10.00
Accounts Receivable	15.62	981.34
Cassettes	146.90	4,940.05
TOTALS	\$4,426.28	\$29,697.27

DISBURSEMENTS:

Salary- Pro. Dir.	800.00	10,385.00
- Secretarial	1,200.00	1,258.00
Taxes Withheld - N. C.	(68.88)	(269.40)
- FICA	(70.24)	(73.64)
- Fed.	(159.20)	(159.20)
Supplies	12.93	464.46
Housing	450.00	1,800.00
Utilities	756.85	1,801.85
Travel - Pro. Dir.	332.22	4,596.91
- Ex. Com.	311.85	502.56
Insurance- Hospital	66.75	737.25
- Life		61.08
Retirement Plan		40.00
Representation Fee		515.00
Postage	82.82	536.82
Taxes Paid - N. C.	5.01	244.91
-Federal	299.60	318.77
Promotion- Room		72.17
- Meals		91.92
Honorarium		100.00
Social Security		960.00
Contract Labor		51.00

PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT - 1976 - 1977 CONT.:

State Minutes & Digest		723.91
Cassettes	17.50	3,710.19
Miscellaneous		923.57
Bank Charges	3.98	36.17

TOTALS \$4,041.19 \$29,429.30

Balance Brought For.	8.83	125.95
Deposits	4,426.28	29,697.27
Disbursements	4,041.19	29,429.30
Bank Balance	393.92	393.92

CAPITAL CHURCH BONDS, INC
1976 - 1977

INCOME: MARCH YEAR TO DATE

Churches 1,550.00 3,900.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Printing - Bonds 580.80

-Prospectus etc 100.00 203.39

Commissions 100.00 100.00

Travel - Room & Meals 55.80

- Plane Tickets 333.00

Supplies - Office 24.05

- Other

Donations 2,050.00 2,050.00

Advertising

Postage 21.05

Legal Fees 100.00 500.00

Audit

Bank Charges 1.05

TOTALS \$2,250.00 \$3,869.14

PROMOTIONAL DEPARTMENT - 1976 - 1977 CONT.:

Balance Brought For.	742.32	11.46
Deposits	1,550.00	3,900.00
Disbursements	2,250.00	3,869.14
Bank Balance	42.32	42.32

N. C. STATE MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

SOURCE OF INCOME

April 1, 1976 - March 31, 1977

DONOR	AMOUNT
Ahoskie, Ahoskie	\$ 53.00
Beaverdam, Candler	50.00
Calvary, Durham	120.00
Calvary, Swannanoa	945.98
Canton, Canton	1,229.21
Cardinal Village, Jacksonville	165.00
Catawba, Belmont	287.33
Cedar Grove, Williamston	50.00
Cedar Hill, Asheville	394.38
Cedar Point, Swansboro	473.49
Coastal Association	100.00
Cramerton, Cramerton	140.00
Davis, Davis	220.56
Emmanuel, Jacksonville	129.52
Fairview, Marion	628.28
Faith, Goldsboro	90.25
Faith, Jacksonville (Maysville)	82.13
Faith, Rockingham	67.02
Faith, Washington	167.56
Fellowship, Micro	480.00
First, Beaufort	967.89
First, Charlotte	63.78
First, Morehead City	433.00
First, Raleigh	393.90
First, Washington	460.00

**N. C. STATE MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
CONTINUED:**

Five Points, Pinetown	160.00
Friendship, Coats	58.50
Grace, Greenville	47.24
Grace, Rocky Mount	80.00
Harriet Memorial, Caroleen	433.90
Immanuel, Winterville	170.00
Ladies Auxiliary- State	1,899.00
Liberty, Durham	430.00
Maranatha, Greenville	551.45
Master's Men, Washington Area	20.00
Mission Service- State	888.35
Mt. Calvary, Hookerton	1,123.00
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly	400.89
Mt. Olive, Plymouth	441.82
Parkers Chapel, Greenville	440.32
Peace, Wilson	818.74
Peace Chapel, Washington	82.50
Pleasant Acres, New Bern	200.00
Prospect, Dunn	1,500.00
Randall Association	75.00
Rocky Mount, Rocky Mount	340.24
Ruth's Chapel, New Bern	254.93
Sandy Acres, Columbia	227.63
Shady Grove, Durham	360.00
Sherwood Forest, New Bern	758.27
Stacy, Stacy	440.96
State Program	367.78
Swannanoa, Swannanoa	60.00
Transferred from Sav. (Bond Account)	1,000.00
Transferred from Chocowinity Account	1,000.00
Trinity, La Grange	120.00
Union Chapel, Chocowinity	528.33
Unity, Smithfield	1,778.00
Victory, Goldsboro	84.00
West Calvary, Smithfield	293.56
West Craven, New Bern	26.67
West Duplin, Warsaw	45.00
Allen, Mr. & Mrs. Junior	20.00
Coffey, Mr. & Mrs. James	60.00

N. C. STATE MISSIONS BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS CONTINUED:

Cope, Mr. & Mrs. Ken	50.00
Dixon, Rev. & Mrs. Charlie	100.00
Worthington, Mrs.	5.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	<u>\$25,933.45</u>
AMOUNT BROUGHT FOR.	\$1,199.58
TOTAL RECEIVED	25,933.45
TOTAL ACCOUNTED FOR	27,133.03
TOTAL DISBURSED	26,977.60
BALANCE ON HAND	
MARCH 31, 1977	\$ 155.43

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DISBURSEMENTS

April 1, 1976 - March 31, 1977

Faith, Washington	\$11,925.34
Siler City	9,759.50
General Fund (Travel, mailing, bonds, etc.)	4,498.86
Farmville	628.95
Cedar Point	124.95
Lenoir	40.00
TOTAL	<u>\$26,977.60</u>

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MISSION BOARD PROPOSED BUDGET

April 1977 - March 1978

General Fund (Travel, mailing, supplies, bonds, etc.)	\$ 2,000.00
Siler City Mission	5,106.00
Washington Mission	6,387.00
General Fund (Start new work)	15,600.00
TOTAL	<u>\$29,093.00</u>

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. Joe Hailey, 1977; Rev. John Craft, 1978; Rev. Eddie Riddick, 1979; Rev. Roy Rikard, 1980; and Rev. Larry Stevens, 1981.

September 7, 1976 -- The North Carolina Board of Retirement and Insurance was called together for a meeting by the Moderator, Rev. Roy Rikard. The purpose of the meeting was to review the Blue Cross program.

Brother Frank Davenport announced that the Blue Cross insurance would increase by \$14.28 per month.

MSC that we make the Blue Cross policy \$50 deductible and approach the insurance comm. to allow us to remove the sickness benefit from the emergency room portion of the policy in hopes of keeping down further rises in premiums.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

MSC that Bro. Eddie Riddick and Bro. Larry Stevens write an article for the Witness about retired preachers and raising money.

MSC to adjourn.

January 11, 1977 -- The Board of Retirement met at the Faith FWB Church in Goldsboro at 10:00 A.M. Brother Mike Russell led in prayer. Bro. Roy Rikard, Bro. Eddie Riddick, and Bro. John Craft were the Board members present.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE CONTINUED:

Bro. Frank Davenport presented these areas of the Superannuation Board work -- 1. a new retirement plan. 2. the state superannuation paper. and 3. a new hospital group insurance.

MSC to endorse the National Savings Life Insurance plan presented by Steve Davenport.

MSC that any new unauthorized publications bearing the name of this board not be published without the boards prior approval.

MSC that the North Carolina FWB Retirement and Insurance News be approved by the board with the understanding that no other insurance policies be promoted in it than authorized by the Board (Blue Cross and Blue Shield (hospitalization) and National Savings Life Insurance Retirement Plan)

April 19, 1977 -- The North Carolina FWB Board of Retirement and Insurance met at the Liberty FWB Church in Durham in a joint meeting with all other state boards. The meeting was called by the State Moderator. A report of our work on the retirement board was given before a joint session of the other boards. Present for this meeting were the following board members -- Rev. Roy Rikard, Rev. John Craft, Rev. Joe Hailey, and Rev. Eddie Riddick.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eddie Riddick, Sec-Treas.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
ANNUAL REPORT FOR CONVENTION YEAR 1976-1977

Number Registered at State Meeting	180
Number Missionaries	2
Number of Delegates	78
Number of Visitors	82
Number of Ministers	11

AMOUNT GIVEN TO PROJECTS AND DENOMINATIONAL CAUSES:

N. C. State Association	\$.548.55
(to be applied to indebtness)	
N. C. State Mission & Bible College Pro.	4,605.35
(projector and films for missionaries in Brazil and payment on Walk -In-Freezer)	
Leah Waddell Scholarship Fund	544.00

Total Income for year	22,950.13
Balance Brought Forward	<u>345.93</u>

TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR.....	23,296.06
Total Disbursements	21,771.37

BALANCE ON HAND	\$ 488.44
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Our project for 1977 -78 will be two-fold: (1) the final payment on the Walk-In-Freezer at the Bible College and (2) necessary items to set up house-keeping for the Ron Callaway family and the Clint Morgan family, both missionary appointees. Total amount to be raised: \$3,350.00. We thank the Lord for the ministry of our Woman's Auxiliary throughout our state.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Gene Outland
Vice President of N. C.
Woman's Auxiliary

MINUTES

of the

FIFTEENTH SESSION

of the

NORTH CAROLINA

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

of the

NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION

of

FREE WILL BAPTISTS

FAIRVIEW FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

MARION, NORTH CAROLINA

May 3, 1977

PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Fifteenth Annual Session of the Woman's Auxiliary of the N. C. Association of Original Free Will Baptists, convening with Fairview Free Will Baptist Church, of Marion, North Carolina, May 3, 1977.

Theme: "Stir up the Gift that is in Thee."

Watchword: II Timothy 1:6 "Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands."

Song Director for the day was Mrs. Carolyn Riddick with Mr. Rex Smith as pianist.

Special music was rendered by the Stanley Trio, who sang "Jesus Opened Up The Way," "He Touched Me," and "Just Any Day Now."

The devotional time was opened with the reading of II Timothy 1: 5 & 6, I Timothy 5:14, and Titus 2: 3-5. Mrs. Inez Thompson, from the Unity Church, Smithfield, brought a challenging devotion, showing the woman's special calling as a wife, mother, and witness for Jesus.

The Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Joanne King. She recognized the Ministers, Missionaries, Delegates, District Presidents, and Visitors.

Mrs. Cleo Purcell, Executive Secretary, WNAC, gave the current needs of the provision closet, and gave details of the National Meeting to be held in Cobal Hall, Detroit, Mich., July 18 and 19.

The following committees were appointed by Mrs. King:

Credentials: Mrs. Margrette Hughes, Mrs. Mae Miller, Mrs. Helen Hamlett.

Registration: Mrs. Helen Hamlett, Mrs. Rebecca Forbes, Mrs. Lois Pittman.

Finance: Mrs. Myrtle Parris, Mrs. Nina Rikard, Mrs. Marie Banks.

Resolutions: Mrs. Maurine Lee, Mrs. Florence Braswell, Mrs. Flora Morgan, Mrs. Joann Ipock, Mrs. Wilma Richard.

Motion made and carried to adopt the partial report of the credential committee. (See Reports)

Rev. Larry Hughes, Chairman of the Mission Board, spoke to us about the needs of the dept.

The Rest Home needs were presented by Rev. J. C. Lynn.

Mrs. Joanne King recognized Mrs. Myrtle Parris with a plaque for outstanding giving. She was also recognized by Mrs. Cleo Purcell for a job well done. Mrs. Purcell showed her appreciation by presenting a book.

Rev. J. D. Norris, brought the morning message, "I Praise the Lord for the crumbs from the table." His scripture was taken from II Timothy 1:6, Matthew 10: 5 & 6, Acts 9:15, Acts 13:46 and 48, and Matthew 15:21-28.

The morning message was ended with grace for the noon meal.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Following the congregational singing, the Memorial Service was presented by Mrs. Jane Price, using Job 1:26 and Psalms 116. Mrs. Maggie Daniels, from the Sherwood Forest Church, New Bern was remembered with love and appreciation for her work in the auxiliary, both local and state.

A special missions emphasis was presented by Mrs. Peggy Outland. The different phases of the work were introduced, and the needs of each stressed. She used the wheels of a vehicle to show that as the vehicle needs all of it's tires or wheels, so also does our work need the various offices of our work.

The new missions project was presented by our Missions Chairman, Carolyn Riddick.

The following reports were accepted and a copy is attached: Credentials, Registration, Finance, Resolutions, and Nominations Comm.

Delegates to the National Association appointed were: Marguerette Hughes, Leatha Puckett, Martha Taylor, Waureen Arrowood, Nina Rikard, and Carolyn Riddick.

The Children's Home in Greenville, Tenn. was represented by Mrs. Doris Raper. She reported on the progress and the needs of the home.

Flora Morgan gave her testimony as a devotional thought. The Trio sang "Since Jesus Passed By."

An invitation was extended from the Goshen FHB Church and the Stanley Church in Western Piedmont. It was decided that we would accept the invitation of the Goshen Church in Belmont, since they had never had the convention.

MSC to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Joanne King, Pres.

Mrs. Jane Price, Sec.

The Nominating Committee for 1978 is as follows: Jerri Welch- Western Piedmont, 1412 Hwy 275, Stanley, N. C. 28164; Faye Radford- Blue Ridge, (no address given); Annie Heath- Coastal, Cove City, N. C. 28523; Eleanor Hart-Palmer, 801 North Hills Dr., Ayden, N. C. 28513; Erlene Smith- Randall, 2535 Fairlawn Rd., Durham, N. C. 27705.

We, the Credentials Committee, wish to submit the following report:
The following Districts have paid per capita dues: Blue Ridge, Western Piedmont, Coastal, Randall, and Palmer.

The following Auxiliaries have paid their fees:

Cramerton	Swannanoa
Canton	Shady Grove
First, Marion	Fairview
Ruth's Chapel	Unity
Calvary, Durham	First, Jacksonville
Sherwood Forest	Garner
West Calvary	Oak Grove
Zepher Hills	Living Waters, Bethel
Grifton	Goshen, Belmont

Submitted by:

Margrette Hughes
Mae Miller
Helen Hamlett

We, the Registration Committee, wish to submit the following report:

Missionaries	2
Ministers	11
Delegates	78
Visitors	82
State Officers	7
Total	180

Respectfully Submitted,

Helen Hamlett, Chairman
Rebecca Forbes
Lois Pittman

We, the Finance Committee move to give:

Mrs. Purcell ----- \$100.00

Rev. J. D. Norris - 300.00

Children's Home 25.00

Home Missions 25.00

Submitted by;

Myrtle Parris

Nina Rikard

Mamie Banks

We, the Resolutions Committee submit the following report:

1. That each state and district, send to the WNAC office biographies and pictures (black and white preferably) of women who are, or have been, prominent in the work of the Woman's Auxiliary. These women will be honored, as space permits, on the pages of Co-Laborer magazine.

2. Whereas, we know tht God is the creator and sustainer of life and that with Him reposes the authority to terminate life, therefore, be it resolved: that the Woman's Auxiliary Convention go on record as being opposed to "abortion-on-demand."

3. Be it resolved that we have a pastor appreciation day, near his birthday or at a time to be decided by each auxiliary, in which the pastor can be duly honored for his service to his church and community; that the whole church be invited to participate in this event and that plans for this event shall be planned and carried out in the manner decided upon by the auxiliary.

4. That we give a rising vote of thanks to the women of the Blue Ridge Association and the women of the Fairview Church for their wonderful hospitality in providing for our state meeting.

Respectfully Submitted;

Maurine Lee, Chairman
 Florence Braswell
 Flora Morgan
 Joann Ipock
 Wilma Richard

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TREASURER'S REPORT

April 26, 1976 To April 26, 1977

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD \$ 345.93

RECEIPTS

State Meeting and Local Offerings	255.00
N. C. State Project	4,155.70
Foreign Missions (Apart from Project)	1,585.13
Designated Gifts for Foreign Missions	4,385.24
Special Projects	770.00
Home Missions	1,839.67
N. C. State Mission	599.81
Special Accounts	880.00
Bible College (Apart from Project)	540.00
General Accounts	300.54
WNAC General Fund & Emphasis Month	1,719.47
Leah Waddell Scholarship Fund	432.85
CO-LABORER Fund	222.65
General Accounts	300.54

TREASURER'S REPORT CONTINUED:

Student Memorial Loan Fund	\$ 365.00
Children's Home, Tennessee	445.00
Children's Home, South Carolina	783.38
Retired Ministers	86.00
Superannuation Widows	345.50
WITNESS Fourteenth Birthday	428.00
N. C. State Auxiliary Treasurer	196.00
Promotional Dept.	115.00
Provision Closet	512.00
Individual Accounts	396.40
Per Capita Dues	<u>1,291.25</u>

TOTAL RECEIVED..... \$22,950.13

GRAND TOTAL \$23,296.06

Total Disbursed (Earmarked &
General Fund) \$21,771.37

BALANCE ON HAND \$ 488.44

RECEIPTS GIVEN BY DISTRICTS -- 1976- 1977

BLUE RIDGE

N. C. State Project.....	\$ 770.00
Foreign Missions	420.00
Special Projects.....	770.00
Home Missions	470.00
State Missions	215.00
Bible College	250.00
Special Designated Gifts	500.00
Student Memorial Loan Fund	220.00
WNAC General Fund & Emphasis Month	279.28
Children's Home, Tenn.	236.00
WITNESS	14.00

RECEIPTS GIVEN BY DISTRICTS CONTINUED:

Retired Ministers	\$ 25.00
Leah Waddell Scholarship Fund	10.00
Per Capita Dues	177.50
TOTAL AMOUNT GIVEN	<u>\$4,356.78</u>

COASTAL

N. C. State Project	346.00
Pre Thanksgiving Offering	255.08
Individual Accounts	360.21
General Accounts	184.31
Pre Easter Offering	243.87
Foreign Missions Individual Account	2,433.95
Provision Closet	25.00
General Accounts	116.23
Bible College	140.00
Leah Waddell Scholarship Fund	79.25
WNAC General Fund & Emphasis Month	236.66
Co-Laborer Offering	191.65
WITNESS Birthday Offering	57.00
Children's Home, Tenn.	120.00
Superannuation widows	345.50
State Treasurer	25.00
N. C. State Home Missions	57.60
Individual Accounts	396.40
N. C. State Work- Promotional Dept.	55.00
Per Capita Dues	469.25
TOTAL AMOUNT GIVEN	<u>\$6,137.96</u>

PALMER

N. C. State Project	\$ 970.00
Home Missions	420.00
Special Missions Projects	770.00
State Missions	369.00
Foreign Missions	420.00
Bible College	200.00
Special Projects	500.00
Student Memorial Loan Fund	220.00
Leah Waddell Scholarship Fund ...	292.09
WNAC General Fund & Emphasis Month	279.00

RECEIPTS GIVEN BY DISTRICTS CONTINUED:

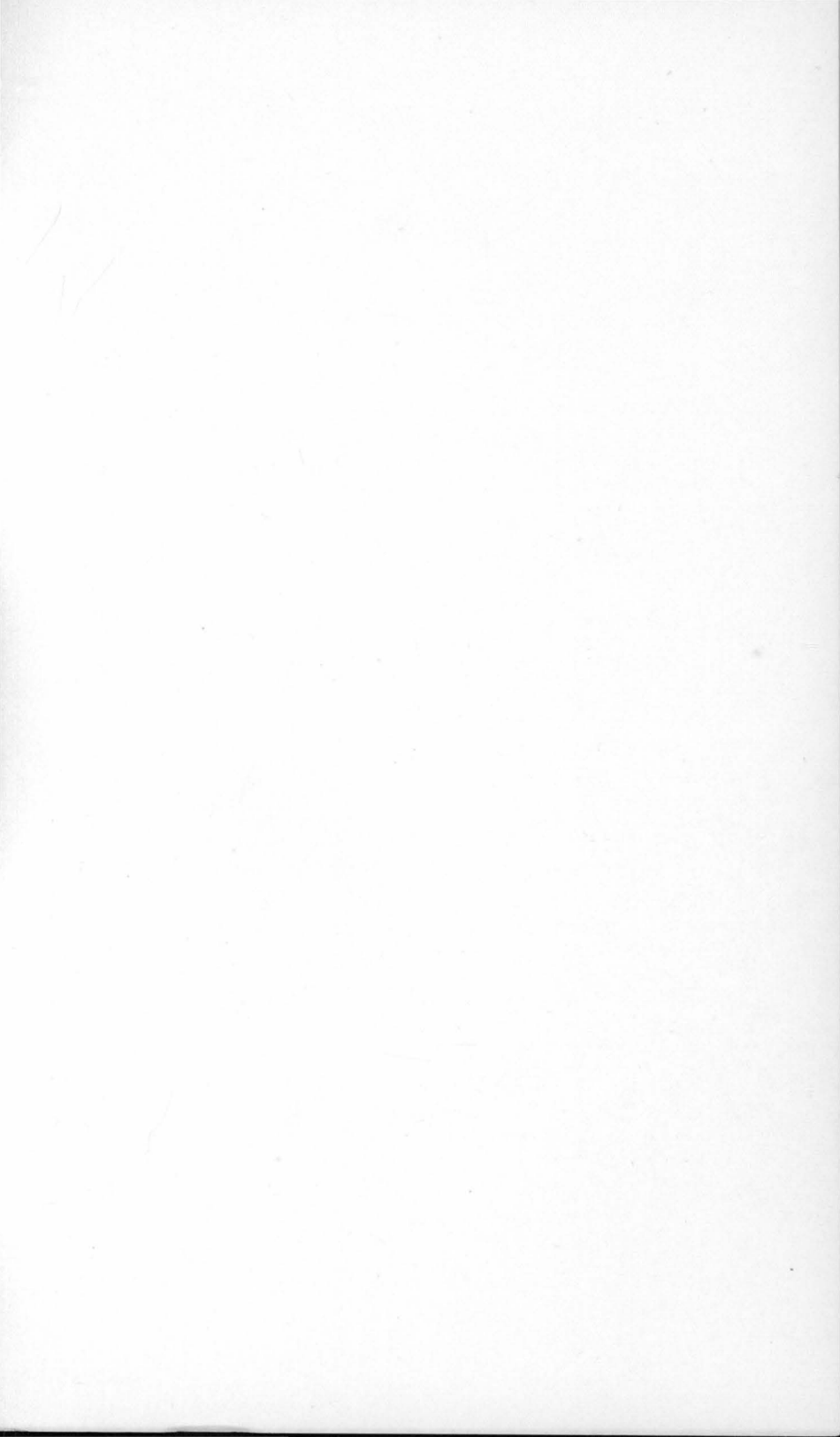
Children's Home, Tenn.	\$ 236.00
Per Capita Dues	257.50
TOTAL AMOUNT GIVEN	<u>\$4,933.59</u>

RANDALL

N. C. State Project	966.70
Foreign Missions	216.00
N. C. State Missions	17.81
Home Missions	82.69
National Home Missions	21.92
WNAC General Fund & Emphasis Month	264.10
Student Memorial Loan Fund	16.00
Leah Waddell Scholarship Fund	18.26
WITNESS	28.00
Per Capita Dues	205.00
TOTAL AMOUNT GIVEN	<u>\$1,836.48</u>

WESTERN PIEDMONT

N. C. State Project	\$1,088.00
Foreign Missions	289.00
Special Accounts	245.00
Home Missions	285.00
State Missions	150.00
Leah Waddell Scholarship Fund ...	30.00
Bible College	50.00
WNAC General Fund & Emphasis Month	660.55
Co-Laborer Fund	31.00
Children's Home, South Carolina	783.38
Provision Closet	481.00
Promotional Dept.	40.00
WITNESS	30.00
State Work	161.75
Per Capita Dues	182.00
TOTAL AMOUNT GIVEN	<u>\$4,506.68</u>



RECEIPTS GIVEN BY DISTRICTS CONTINUED:

Children's Home, Tenn.	\$ 236.00
Per Capita Dues	257.50
TOTAL AMOUNT GIVEN	\$4,493.50

RANDALL

N. C. State Project	966.70
Foreign Missions	216.00
N. C. State Missions	17.81
Home Missions	82.60
National Home Missions	21.92
WAC General Fund & Emphasis Month	254.10
Student Memorial Loan Fund	16.00
Leah Waddell Scholarship Fund ...	18.26
WITNESS	28.00
Per Capita Dues	205.00
TOTAL AMOUNT GIVEN	\$1,836.40

WESTERN PIEDMONT

N. C. State Project	\$1,088.00
Foreign Missions	289.00
Special Accounts	245.00
Home Missions	785.00
State Missions	150.00
Leah Waddell Scholarship Fund ...	30.00
Bible College	50.00
WAC General Fund & Emphasis Month	660.55
Co-Laborer Fund	31.00
Children's Home, South Carolina	783.38
Provision Closet	481.00
Promotional Dept.	40.00
WITNESS	30.00
State Work	161.75
Per Capita Dues	182.00
TOTAL AMOUNT GIVEN	\$7,506.68

