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NORTHEAST OKLAHOMA

ASSOCIATION

of

Free Will Baptists

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Proceedings of the

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Convened at

COLLINSVILLE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Collinsville, Oklahoma

Northeast Oklahoma Association of FREE WILL BAPTISTS

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The first Quarterly meeting — First Free Will Baptist Church, 711 So. College, Picher, Okla., Nov. 12, 13, 1971.

The second Quarterly meeting — First Free Will Baptist Church, Nowata, Okla., Feb. 11 and 12, 1972.

The third Quarterly meeting — Free Will Baptist Youth Camp, May 12 and 13, 1972 at the camp ground, Oologah, Okla.

The 22nd annual session of the Northeast Oklahoma Association of FREE WILL BAPTISTS will convene August 11 and 12, 1972, Free Will Baptist Church, 200 Chestnut St., Barnsdall, Okla.

Youth Camp ----- June 25-30, 1972

Youth Camp Evangelist ----- Bill Jones

Youth Camp Director ----- Richard Rust

Assistant Director ----- Ronald Carner

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory sermon
2. House called to order by Moderator
3. Letters called for, read and received
4. Invite visiting brethren to seats in councils
5. Reading Rules of Order
6. Appointment of Committees
7. Petition Letters called for
8. Election of Officers
9. Unfinished Business
10. New Business
11. Reports of Committees
12. Miscellaneous Business

BYLAWS

1. The Moderator or Assistant Moderator, or in their absence, the oldest minister present, shall call Association into conference.
2. Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer.
3. Five members from two or more churches shall constitute a quorum. A less number may adjourn until such quorum is present.
4. Visiting brethren are invited to seat as advisory members.
5. Those who speak shall rise and address the moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.
6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and a vote taken.
7. The Association may be called together by the Moderator, by giving the churches ten days notice of such meeting.
8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the Moderator.
9. The Moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in the Christian spirit.
10. The ruling of the Moderator may be over ruled by a two-thirds majority of the members voting.
11. No question from any church shall come under the consideration of the Association unless it has first been discussed in its own church.
12. At each Association session, arrangements shall be made to insure two or more sermons or their equivalent in devotional exercises each day.
13. This body shall be governed by the Roberts Rule of Order.

CONSTITUTION

From long experience we are convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate our nation and to maintain a correspondence among our churches.

Therefore, we have adopted the following constitution and bylaws for our government:

1. The association shall be called the Northeast Oklahoma Association.

2. This association shall be composed of such well regulated Free Will Baptist Churches maintaining gospel order, agreeing with the denomination in doctrine and practices, favoring the enterprises that have been endorsed by this association.

3. The acting members of this association shall be the ministers and their wives. Deacons and Church Clerks belonging to any church composing this body, also three delegates from each church chosen by the members of their respective churches.

4. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, and Assistant Clerk, and an Executive Board of five members. They shall be elected by and subject to the Association; they shall act as a committee to promote peace and harmony among the Ministers and Churches belonging to this Association; they shall also act between sessions of the Association to carry out the program of the Association. Also a Board of Trustees, consisting of five members. The Trustees shall be elected by and be subject to the Association. They shall act as custodians of all property belonging to the Association, and shall sign all legal papers when authorized by the Association to do so. All officers shall hold office until their successors are elected.

5. The property of any church in this Association that should go down until they cannot transact business because they are disorganized, shall become the property of this Association.

6. This Association shall meet annually at such time and place as shall be decided upon by the Association, also meet in regular quarterly meetings and at such quarterly meetings, shall have power to transact all business of the Association except to change the Constitution.

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance to evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and "provide things honest in the sight of men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith and good works, endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinance of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of education and denominational enterprises, the support of Missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Lloyd Hudson	5 yr.
T. T. Deere	3 yr.
Nick Huntley	2 yr.
Jim Haas	2 yr.

TRUSTEE BOARD

Monroe McMillen	5 yr.
Floyd Ferguson	4 yr.
Claude McLaughlin	3 yr.
Richard Rust	2 yr.
Cliff Goines	1 yr.

CREDENTIAL BOARD

Floyd Hudson	5 yr.
Ronnie Carner	4 yr.
Lester Nutting	3 yr.
Leon Hargrove	2 yr.
Gene Hester	1 yr.

PARLIAMENTARIAN

Ronald Carner

STATE GENERAL BOARD

Hermon Wood

MISSIONARY BOARD

Hermon Wood Clyde Huey Ray Stuart

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Jack Metcalf Jim Haas

DISTRICT C. T. S. DIRECTOR

Richard Rust

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Melvin Tyson Vernon Brown John Redfern

ARTICLES OF FAITH

ARTICLE I THE BIBLE

We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by the inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

Matt. 22:29; Mark 15:28; John 2:22; John 5:39; John 7:38; Acts 1:16; Acts 8:35; Acts 18:28; Rom. 15:4; Gal. 1:8; Second Tim. 3:16-17; Second Peter 1:12, 20, 21.

ARTICLE II GOD

We believe there are three persons in the God head, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and that all things were created by them.

First John 5:7; Gen. 1st and 2nd Chapters; Exo. 20:9-11; Psa. 33:6; Jer. 51:15; John 1:1-3; Acts 14:14-17; First Cor. 8:5, 6; Eph. 3:8-10; Col. 1:9-17; Rev. 4:9-11.

ARTICLE III MAN

We believe that God created Man innocent, but by disobedience he fell into a state of sin and death. His posterity therefore inherited a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to the years of accountability sin and become guilty before God.

Gen. 2:15-17; Gen. 3:14-19; Isa. 53:6; Rom. 3:9-26; Rom. 5:12-15; First Cor. 15:21, 22; Gal. 3:22; First John 1:10.

ARTICLE IV CHILDREN SAVED

We believe that children are born in a saved state and we must become like unto them if we enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

Matt. 18:2, 3; Luke 18:16, 17.

ARTICLE V GENERAL ATONEMENT

We believe that Christ died for all and whosoever will may be saved.

Matt. 28:19, 20; Luke 24:45-47; John 3:16; First Tim. 2:1-6; Titus 2:11; Heb. 2:9; Second Peter 3:9; First John 2:1, 2; Rev. 22:17.

ARTICLE VI TERMS OF SALVATION

We believe the terms of Salvation are:

1st. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and a hearty renunciation of it.

2nd. Faith, or the unreserved committal of one's self to

God through faith in Christ with purpose to love and obey him in all things.

Luke 13:3-5; Luke 14:25-27; Luke 24:45-47; John 3:16; Acts 10:43; Acts 15:8, 9; Acts 16:31; Rom. 5:1, 2; Rom 10:8-13; Gal. 3:26; Eph. 2:8, 9; Heb. 11:6.

ARTICLE VII

DIVINE CALL TO THE MINISTRY

We believe that God in his wisdom and goodness displays his power of Grace in a great degree in calling and qualifying his servants by the teaching of the Holy Spirit to go forth and proclaim life and salvation. Yet those who are called are commanded to study to show themselves approved unto God, etc.

John 5:39; John 1:16, 17; Acts 3:22; Acts 13:1-4; Acts 18:27, 28; Acts 20:28; Acts 22:14, 15; Rom. 10:14, 15; Gal. 1:11-23; Second Tim. 2:15; Titus 1:7-9.

ARTICLE VIII

THE CHURCH

We believe that the Church of God, or Christ is the whole body of Christians throughout the world. Matt. 16:18.

Acts 2:46, 47; First Cor. 12:13-20; Eph. 1:22, 23; Eph. 4:4-6; Col. 1:18-24; First Tim. 3:14, 15; Heb. 3:6.

ARTICLE IX

A CHURCH OF GOD

We believe that a Church of God is an organized body of believers in Christ who statedly assemble to worship God and keep the Ordinances of the Gospel according to the scriptures. Matt. 18: 15-17.

Matt. 28:18, 20; Acts 8:1; Acts 13:1-3; Acts 14:23; Rom. 16:1-5; First Cor. 11:12; First Cor. 11:23-28; First Cor. 16:19; Col. 4:15, 16; Titus 1:5; First Peter 5:13; Rev. 1:11.

ARTICLE X

ORDINANCES

We believe that Baptism, Communion and feet washing are Gospel Ordinances and should be observed by the people of God.

Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:18, 20; John 13:4-17; Matt. 28:19, 20; Acts 2:41; Acts 8:12; Acts 8:35-38; Acts 9:18; Acts 10:47, 48; Acts 16:33; First Cor. 11:23-26; First Tim. 5:9, 19.

ARTICLE XI

BAPTISM

We believe that immersion is the scriptural mode of baptism.

Matt. 3:5, 6; Matt. 3:13-17; Mark 1:5-11; John 3:22, 23; Acts 8:36-39; Rom. 6:3, 4.

ARTICLE XII

OPEN COMMUNION

We believe that the Lord's people are one in him therefore should be one at His table.

John 15:5; John 17:11-21; First Cor. 11:23-29; First Cor. 12:13-21; Gal. 3:26-29.

ARTICLE XIII

THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH

We believe that the Divine Law requires that one day in seven be set apart for the worship of God and that no work of worldly nature should be done on that day. Work of piety, mercy and necessity excepted.

Mark 16:1, 2; John 20:1, 19, 26; Acts 13:27; Acts 16:13; Acts 20:7; First Cor. 16:1, 2; Rev. 1:10, 11.

ARTICLE XIV

APOSTASY

We believe that only those Christians who through grace and patience endure unto the end have promise of Eternal Salvation.

Ezek. 18:24-26; Matt. 10:22; Matt. 24:12, 13; Matt. 24:48-51; Matt. 25:14-30; Mark 13:13; Luke 12:45, 46; John 15:1-6; Rom. 11:21; First Cor. 10:11, 12; First Cor. 15: 1, 2; First Thes. 3:4, 5; Heb. 3:1-6; Heb. 6:4-6; Heb. 10:24-30; Second Peter 1:9-11; Second Peter 2:12-16; Second Peter 2:20-22; Rev. 2:10; Rev. 3: 5.

ARTICLE XV

RESURRECTION

We believe in the resurrection of all men. They that have done good unto the resurrection of life and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation.

John 5:28, 29; Acts 4:1, 2; Acts 17:18; Acts 23:6; Acts 24:14; 15; Acts 26:6-8; First Cor. 15:12, 22; First Thes. 4:15-17; Rev. 20:12-15.

ARTICLE XVI

THE JUDGMENT

We believe that there will be a general or universal judgment when all nations will be gathered before the Judgment Seat of Christ, to be judged according to their works. The wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal.

Eccl. 11:9; Eccl. 12:14; Matt. 12: 36, 37; Matt. 13:37-43; Mark 9:43-48; John 5:28, 29; Acts 10:42; Acts 17:30, 31; Rom. 14:10-12; Second Cor. 5:10; Heb. 9:27, 28; Rev. 20:12-15; Rev. 21:7, 8; Matt. 25:31-46.

FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

Northside Free Will Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma

Friday night, November 6, 1970

Service opened by the moderator. Pianist, Sister Hudson, song leader, Brother Goines, congregational songs, "Re-deemed", "I'll Fly Away," "He Leadeth Me," and special by Ronnie Johnson, "Had It Not Been." Speaker, Brother Roy Bingham. Four Seasons — "Life is like a drop in the bucket — Text from Job"; "Spring 1-18, preparing"; "Summer 19-35, filling out"; "Fall 36-54, Harvest time, the most for God"; and "Winter 55-70, Golden years, wisdom". Closed with an invitation to those present.

Speaker for the 11 o'clock worship service, Dugan McDonnell. Motion made and seconded to elect by acclamation. (carried) Dismissed in prayer, Richard Rust.

Saturday morning, November 7, 1970

Opening by Brother Bingham, prayer by Brother McMillen. Song leader, Brother Rust, leading in songs: "Victory in Jesus," "Praise Him, Praise Him," and devotion by Brother Melvin Tyson.

With sixteen churches reporting, the letters were called for and read. Motion made and seconded to accept the letters and seat the delegates. (Carried) Righthand of fellowship given to the delegates. Invitation given to visiting brethren to seats in council. Reading of Rules of Order by he moderator.

Resolution committee: Melvin Tyson, Floyd Ferguson, Raymond McMillen, appointed by the moderator and assistant moderator. Time given to Brother Lynn Wood, Trinity College, Oklahoma Bible College. Talked on the giving to the college as an association and the church individually presented the plan to the resolution committee. This plan was mailed to all the pastors of the churches.

Petitionary letters called for: none. Credential Board: Motion made and seconded for the board to fill their own vacancy. (carried) Unfinished business: none. Treasury report given by Jack Metcalf. Motion made and seconded to accept the report as read. (carried) Reports of committees and boards.

Missionary Board: August 27, 1970, a member of the missionary board was informed of property for sale in Jay, Okla. This included a church parsonage and a ½ city block of property. The missionary board met and went to Jay to look the property over. We feel it would not be advisable to go into Jay at this time.

The missionary board met at Claremore and drove to Catoosa to look for property. The reason for this was the possibility of buying property and in the future to build a church there. More work is being done to find out the price of property in this city. A substantial growth is expected in this city, with the opening of the Port of Catoosa. Pray

about this.

Executive board report: oral on the Bartlesville Church. Motion made and seconded to accept these reports. (carried) Motion made and seconded to adjourn business till 1 o'clock. (carried) Dismissed in prayer, Brother Hudson.

11 O'Clock Worship Service

Moderator opening the service. Brother Rust leading the congregation in singing "Joy Unspeakable". Special singing, "Thank You for the Valleys," Brother and Sister Brown. "I've been to Calvary," Brother Rust.

Speaker Rev. Dugan McDonald. Text John 18:38. "Perfect Lord Found no Fault in Jesus Christ". None found any. Truth, compassion expects to carry the Gospel to the people. Exodus 4:12, promises. Closed in prayer and invitation given. Closing prayer and blessing asked on the noon meal by Larry Williams.

1 O'Clock Business Session

Opened by the moderator, Brother Rust leading the service in singing "I am Thine O' Lord." Prayer by Brother Deere. Devotion by Rev. Lester Nutting, II Tim., fourth chapter. Charging all "for that hope in Jesus Christ." Closing prayer by Brother Nutting.

Motion made and seconded to give the Northside Church a standing vote of thanks for the fine meal; also to Brother Lynn Wood for his work done for the college and in our association. (done).

The Zion Hill Church finds it will be unable to serve the noon meal at the May quarterly meeting. Motion made and seconded that the people coming bring a covered dish to the third quarterly meeting (May). (carried)

Motion made and seconded to put the delegates fee into the general fund (carried).

Resolution Committee:

I. We the Resolution committee recommend that each pastor take this plan and present it to their church for prayerful consideration. (This plan mailed to all pastors). Motion made and seconded to accept this resolution. (carried) Credential Board Report:

I. We the credential board recommend Brother Larry Williams and Brother Locke for ordination as Deacon.

II. We recommend Brother John Mahan and Brother Mark Haley for license to preach the gospel.

III. We recommend that Brother Richard Rust be accepted into full fellowship in the Association.

Motions made and seconded to accept these recommendations. (carried)

IV. We recommend Brother Larry Tuttle be issued license in the Northeast Oklahoma Association.

Motion made and seconded to issue Brother Larry Tuttle a license in the Association. Question: Why not for ordination? Reason: Motion duly placed on the books page 279. Question: Reading of the resolution: Resolution No. 3, page 279: Be it resolved that ministers not be ordained until the

need arises, such as, pastoring a church or full time Christian service. (carried)

Motion made to modify the resolution to include the term Associate Pastor. (lost) Died without a second.

Original motion duly made and seconded, passed and carried.

Motion made and seconded that our body be governed by the Roberts Rules of Order. (carried) This be added to the bylaws in the minutes number 13 at the next printing.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. (carried) dismissed in prayer, Brother Huntley.

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

Nowata Free Will Baptist Church

Friday night, February 12, 1971

Brother Bingham opened the service. Prayer by Brother Frauenberger. Song leader, Brother Rust; Pianist, Sister Spillers. Congregational songs, "He Lives", "I Am Thine O' Lord". Prayer, Brother Wood.

Special singing: Nowata, Quartet, "Born to Serve the Lord"; Barnsdall, Rust, "I Want to See Jesus"; Vinita, Allen family, "I'm Longing for Home"; Claremore, Tuttle, "Go and Possess"; Dewey, Hester, "I'm Pressing on the Upward Way" and "He Could Have Called Ten Thousand Angels."

Guest speaker did not come; moderator, Brother Bingham preached. Fear nothing but God, fight nothing but sin. Text is taken from Psalms 23, reading and exhorting these passages; very good and inspiring to all present. Dr. O'Donnell from Oklahoma Bible College was the 11 o'clock speaker.

Dismissed in prayer.

Saturday morning, February 13, 1971

Service opened by moderator. Prayer, Brother Dugan McDonald. Pianist, Sister Spillers. Song leader, Brother Rust. Congregational song, "Heavens' Jubilee". Devotion, Brother Boyd, "Time to spend with the Bible . . . and . . . God." John 3:7, closing with prayer.

With 16 churches reporting, the letters were called for and read. Motion made and seconded to accept the letters as read and seat the delegates. (carried)

Invitation given to visiting brethren to seats in council. Reading of the Rules of Order, moderator.

Resolution Committee, Raymond McMillen, Lyle Huntley, Melvin Tyson, appointed by the moderator and assistant moderator.

Time given to Dugan McDonald from the State Sunday School Board speaking on the scripture material and the evangelization in the Sunday School. The planting of the seed for the people to be saved in the worship service. Placing this before your church. National Sunday School Contest Sunday School Workshop, February 26-27, Southern Oaks, Oklahoma City, Joe Ames.

Treasurer's report given by Jack Metcalf. Motion made

and seconded to accept as read. (carried) Credential Board, fill their own vacancy. Unfinished business: Question for the Credential Board clarifying the question, "Full Time Christian Service".

Vacancy, Trustee Board for three year man. Richard Rust nominated. Motion made and seconded to cease nominations and elect by acclamation. (carried)

Motion made and seconded for the Mission Board to become a standing board with 1, 2, and 3 year terms beginning at the Yearly Meeting. (carried)

Mission Board report read: January 7, 1971, the Mission Board met at Dewey with Brother Hester and the men from Dewey Free Will Baptist Mission at their meeting. We met with the Dewey Church of God and discussed buying their church building. They expressed their desire to reorganize into a church. January 15, unable to contact anyone in Dewey. January 17, Brother Hester contacted by phone. He said he would meet with us at the next meeting in Nowata.

We, the mission board, recommend that the Association support the Dewey Mission with \$100 a month until our yearly meeting in August. Motion made and seconded to accept the report as read and adopting this recommendation to support the mission. (carried)

Motion made and seconded to adjourn business till 1 o'clock. (carried)

11 O'Clock Worship Service

Pianist, Sister Spillers. Song leader, Brother Rust leading in "Glory Land Way." •Specials: Goines Quartet, "When I Inherit My Mansion"; trio, Rust, Haynes and Wood, "Till You've Known the Love of God"; Boyd, "Had It Not Been".

Speaker, Dr. O'Donnell from Oklahoma Bible College. Bringing greetings from the Bible College. Text from Psalms 116, reading the entire book. Opening quote: "I love the Lord, because he heard my voice." Verse 12, "What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me." What is our part? What are we to do? Verse 9, "I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living." To walk the way "For" God. You can win a person even without saying a word. Living the life before men. Right now is the time to pay those vows. Now. Sacrifice the need of each to have this purpose in their "life" lives. Give you life first. Closing with prayer. Invitation given.

Blessing asked in closing in prayer on the noon meal, Brother Shade.

1 O'Clock Business Session

Moderator opened the service with prayer by Brother McMillen. Brother Rust leading the song, "You Ask Me Why I'm Happy" with Sister Spiller at the piano. Devotion brought by Brother Bingham from 133 Psalms.

Christian Education Board showed the VBS packets

brought from the book store, buying them here and ordering them from the book store. Good response.

Petitionary Letter: We, the Dewey Mission, petition the Northeast Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptists to be recognized as a mission of this Association. Pastor, Gene Hester; treasurer, Leaman Griggs; clerk, Shirley Casey. Motion made and seconded to accept this letter and letting the Credential Board examine Brother Hester. (carried)

Northeast Women's Auxiliary president spoke on the need of supplying mission gifts for the missionaries — colored sheets, silverware, dishes, fitted twin and full size sheets, also flat sheets.

Brother Goines speaking on youth camp, the need for teachers, cooks, sponsors. Placing a challenge before each pastor for help.

Brother Floyd Ferguson read from Galatians, 6th chapter. He spoke about Brother Powell, who has had a heart attack and stroke and is very ill in the hospital. Offering was taken to help in the finance shortage due to the high cost as all know about. Amount \$134.00.
Credential Board Report:

I. We, the credential board, recommend Brother Leon Hargrove to be accepted into the association as a minister.

II. We, the credential board, recommend Brother Stewart to be ordained as a deacon.

III. We, the credential board, recommend Brother Hester to be accepted into the association as a minister.

Motion made and seconded to accept this report. (carried)

Credential Board asked to have the question to explain the question on page 279 on "Full time Christian Service" tabled until the next quarterly meeting. The Credential Board and Executive Board to meet April 17 at Vinita, 1:30 p.m. Motion made and seconded to grant this extension. (carried)

Motion made and seconded to retract the motion made last quarterly meeting to have each one bring a covered dish and the fees go into the general fund and read Zion Hill to serve the dinner and monies to go to them. (carried)

Motion made and seconded to spend \$1,000.00 to repair the rock building for general repairs. Transferring this amount from the general fund to the maintenance fund. (carried).

Dr. O'Donnell spoke on the college. The school is to become a Christian Liberal Arts School for those to prepare for full time Christian work, and also for teaching and other professions. They need a name. Send in your suggestions to the board of trustees before April 15.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. (carried) Dismissed in prayer by Brother Nutting.

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

Youth Camp, Oologah, Okla., May 7 and 8, 1971

May 7, 1971, Friday night

Moderator opened the service. Sister Spillers, pianist. Brother Goines song leader, leading in hymns, "When We All Get to Heaven", "Kneel at the Cross" and "Victory in Jesus". Brother McMillen led in prayer. Special, Brother Metcalf, "Night Before Easter."

Speaker, Brother Don Payne. Text taken from the book of Romans. Paul, Luke and others; preface to Christianity; Way to live a Christian life; Saved to live for Christ; Tempered by Jesus Christ; Traveling thru Romans; Now power; God's purpose; Wages, let your life work for God; Doing your part. The Word will do its work. Speaker for the 11 o'clock service, Brother Raymond McMillen, elected.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. (carried) Dismissed in prayer. Good message and fellowship had by all attending.

May 8, 1971, Saturday morning

Service opened with prayer by Brother Ferguson. Sister Reed, pianist, and Brother Rust, song leader, singing, "I'm in the Gloryland Way." Devotion given by Brother Hester, reading from Psalms 15.

With 12 churches reporting, the letters were called for and read. Motion made and seconded to accept the letters as read and seat the delegates. (carried) Reading of the Rules of Order by the moderator.

Committees: Credential Board: Motion made and seconded that the credential board fill their own vacancy. (carried) Resolution Committee: Jim Haas, Lester Nutting, Melvin Tyson. Appointed by the moderator and assistant moderator.

Letters read from the First Church at Vinita and Bethel Church at Picher.

First, Vinita: Having united with another association, we hereby request a letter of recommendation from you to the Fellowship Association. We ask that members of our church holding offices in the Northeast Association be replaced and that you will consider this as a formal resignation from all concerned. This to be effective at the close of business May 8, 1971. Pat Hakey, Clerk.

Bethel, Picher: Our church, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church, has requested that I write and ask you if you would have the Northeast Association give us a letter of recommendation of good standing. As you know, we have formed a Fellowship Association up here. We pray that you will have a real good time in the Lord. Sister Otho Boyd, clerk.

Brother Allen said he had a letter from the Fellowship Association, but lost it. Brother Allen said that the First Church of Vinita was trying to get another loan so they could release the Northeast Oklahoma Association. He also

stated that this is the feeling of the First Church of Miami. (Note the association has no letter to this effect).

Motion made and seconded to receive the letters and accepting the resignations and elect new officers. Granting letter of recommendations (we need a release from the First Church, Vinita, and a letter asking for this letter from the First Church in Miami). (carried)

Motion made and seconded that the churches may participate in our youth camp (carried).

Vacancy: Parliamentary: Motion made and seconded to leave vacant until the annual meeting. (carried)

Two-year man on Credential Board: Gene Hester elected. Motion made and seconded to declare the three-year post of the Executive Board and the Credential Board vacant. (carried) Executive Board: Melvin Tyson elected, 3-year man; Credential Board: Leon Hargrove elected, 3-year man.

Treasurer and clerks reports were given by Jack Metcalf. Motion made and seconded to accept as read. Questions and answers (carried).

Motion made and seconded to give Brother Metcalf a standing vote of thanks for work done. (carried and done)

Motion made and seconded to adjourn business until 1 o'clock (carried). Dismissed in prayer by Brother Allen.

11 O'Clock Worship Service

Moderator opened the service. Sister Reed, pianist and Brother Rust lead in singing "Standing on the Promises" and "I Am Thine O' Lord".

Specials were by Dewey, "Take Time to Die" and Barnsdall, "Lonely Road up Calvary Hill".

Speaker was Brother Raymond McMillen with the text from Psalms 15, reading the entire chapter. "Shall never be moved" Romans 8:1; "Walk after the Spirit". Speaking on a subject not very popular. "Bridling our tongues . . . offending.". "Preaching the word . . . foresaken"; "Word will do its work". A very good, interesting and soul stirring sermon. Brother Allen Wood dismissed with prayer and asked blessing on the noon meal.

1 O'Clock Business Session

Opened by the moderator. Sister Reed, pianist, with Brother Reed leading the song, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Devotion was given by Brother Peace, reading from the 14th chapter of St. John. Believing in God, be in one mind and one accord.

Information: Graduating card from Sister Arilla Wode, Nashville, Tenn.

Unfinished business: Motion tabled from last meeting to explain full time Christian service. Credential Board met with the Executive Board at Vinita. Answer: We feel that the definition is satisfactory as stated in the minutes. The definition is adequate and we stand behind our Credential Board.

Motion made and seconded that the Credential Board meet one week before the quarterly meetings Friday night. The churches are instructed to send their candidates to this meeting. They must appear at this meeting in order to be voted on at the following quarterly meeting. This meeting is to be held at the place where the quarterly meeting is to be held. (carried)

Resolution Committee:

I. We recommend that all C.T.S. Rallies during the summer months be held at the camp grounds. The months of June, July, August and September. Motion made and seconded to accept as read. (carried)

II. Be it resolved that we sell the youth camp for an honest and reasonable amount and that the monies be distributed at the discretion of this body.

We, the Resolution Committee, recommend that this be tabled until the annual conference. So that we may discuss this in our own churches.

Motion made and seconded to accept and table this resolution. (carried)

Credential Board: We, the credential board, recommend that John Redfern be ordained as deacon. Motion made and seconded to adopt the recommendation. (carried)

Brother Woods gave an oral report on the mission board. Brother Hester gave a report on the Dewey church and their bonds.

Motion made and seconded to give the ladies a standing vote of thanks for the fine dinner. (carried and done)

Motion made and seconded to adjourn business. After the announcements, dismissed in prayer by Brother Floyd Hudson.

ANNUAL MEETING

August 6, 7, 1971, Collinsville, Oklahoma

Friday Night

With Brother Rust as song leader, Sister Wode, organist and Brother Ward, pianist, the moderator opened the service. The congregation sang "Praise Him, Praise Him, "There is Power in the Blood" and "Joy Unspeakable". Prayer was given by Brother Ferguson. Brother Bingham spoke on the coming Advent, "Being a Child of the King. Sister Wode's going to Japan this winter on missionary duty. Special singing was "Browns" and "What Heaven Means to Me." The testimonial service had good variety and was inspiring. The speaker was Brother John West using the text, Matthew 16. 13 to 19, talking on he church. His model church, using the M O D E L in his sermon, made this his model church. The speaker for the 11 o'clock worship service was elected. Brother Charles Black dismissed with prayer, Brother Tyson.

Saturday, August 7

Opened by the moderator. Pianist, Sister Carner and Brother Brown, song leader, leading "We Praise Thee O' God." Devotion given by Brother John Metcalf. With 13 churches reporting, the letters were called for and read. Motion made and seconded to accept the letters and seat the delegates. (carried)

Reading of the Rules of Order (bylaws) by the moderator.

Appointment of committees by the moderator and the assistant moderator. Resolution committee: Monroe McMillen, Gene Hester, Vernon Brown; Obituary committee: Carol Carner, Dorothy Peace, Mildred Herd; Petitionary letters called for and there were none.

Time was given to Sister Arilla Wode, who is going to Sabora, Japan. She will be there during the winter olympics. She expressed her feelings for going there and read the great commission, "Go Ye" asking most all for the prayers of the people. An offering was taken for her in the amount of \$169.19.

Treasurer's report was given by Jack Metcalf. Motion was made and seconded to accept as read. (carried) Motion made and seconded to give Brother Metcalf \$50 for work done and \$1 for the balancing of the books. (carried)

11 O'Clock Worship Service

Pianist, Brother Ward, and Sister Wode, organist. Brother Brown, song leader, led "Where He Leads I'll Follow." Special singing: Hester, "Higher Ground"; Browns, "Is That The Lights of Home"; Rust, "Jesus is Coming Soon."

Brother Black, pastor of the Nowata Free Will Baptist Church was speaker. Text was read from Romans, chapter 1, verses 13 to 17. Paul said he was a debtor to all. The great commission "Go Ye" was presented. Brother Black said he felt funny about preaching this until the devotion this morning and Sister Arilla's talk. (Note: They all led into the next). This was a very good, stirring sermon. Closed with an invitation. Blessing was asked on the noon meal, with closing prayer.

1 O'Clock Business Session

Brother Brown lead the song, "Sent the Light", Sister Wode, organist and Brother Ward was pianist. Devotion was given by Brother Haas from I Corinthians 1:26-28.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moderator	-----	Roy Bingham
Assistant Moderator	-----	Hermon Wood
Clerk and Treasurer	-----	Jack Metcalf
Assistant Clerk	-----	Allen Wood
Parliamentarian	-----	Ronald Carner
State General Board, 1972	-----	Hermon Wood
District C.T.S. Director	-----	Richard Rust
Executive Board, 5 yr.	-----	Llyod Hudson
Trustee Board, 5 yr.	-----	Monroe McMillen
Credential Board, 5 yr.	-----	Floyd Hudson
Credential Board, 3 yr.	-----	Lester Nutting
Christian Education Board	-----	Jack Metcalf, Jim Haas, Allen Wood
Maintenance Committee	-----	John Redfern, Vernon Brown, Melvin Tyson

Election of personnel and setting of dates:

Youth Camp	-----	June 25 to 30, 1972
Evangelist	-----	Bill Jones
Alternate	-----	Ronald Carner
Director	-----	Richard Rust
Assistant Director	-----	Ronald Carner
First Quarterly Meeting	-----	Picher, Nov. 12, 13, 1971
Second Quarterly Meeting	-----	Nowata, Feb. 11, 12, 1972
Third Quarterly Meeting	-----	Camp Grounds, May 12, 13, 1972
Annual Meeting	-----	Barnsdall, Aug. 11, 12, 1972

Brother Homer Young, the State Executive Secretary, was given time to speak. He talked on the national meeting with all the young people being there. The state meeting is in Lawton. Make your reservations now. The giving goal for 1972 is \$250,000.00. Brother Jerry Rhoads is in promotion of Hillsdale Free Will Baptist Bible College and talked on the new departments and the giving in support of the school. Dr. Bill Jones is to assume the presidency next monday and will be on TV Monday night.

Unfinished business: Tabled motion: Motion made and seconded to take the motion from the table. (carried) .

Be it resolved that we sell the camp grounds for an honest and reasonable amount and the monies be distributed at the discretion of this body. (lost) Motion made and seconded that if some church could not hold a quarterly meeting, that meeting would go to the Zion Hill Free Will Baptist Church. (carried). Motion made and seconded that the Collinsville Free Will Baptist Church look for the May Quarterly Meeting at the camp grounds. (carried)

Motion made and seconded that the Christian Education Board and the Youth Camp Directors see that we have cooks for the Youth Camp. (carried)

Information: Letter read from the Claremore church. They have withdrawn from our association. Motion made and seconded to accept as info. (carried)

New Business: Motion made and seconded that the Friday night service start at 7:30 instead of 8 p.m. (carried)

Motion made and seconded to pay outside preachers \$15 including last night (Bro. West). (carried)
Resolution Committee:

I. Be it resolved to pay our associational clerk \$75 per year. Motion made and seconded to accept. (carried) Motion made and seconded to give the clerk a \$25 increase over the amount of \$51 in the morning's motion. (carried) Motion made and seconded to make the rent house at the camp grounds available to Free Will Baptists. They are to be approved by the maintenance committee. (carried)

Obituary Committee: We, the obituary committee, respectfully submit the following names of those deceased:

Nowata, Jimmy Ray Callison (Vietnam soldier): Zion Hill: Leard Thomason, deacon, Emory Jenkins, deacon, Bill Henshall; Barnsdall, Darl Brown; Vera, Lester Darling.

We request special prayer for these families of the deceased. The Obituary committee, Carol Ann Carner, Dorothy Peace and Mildred Herd, passed out a new ordination form. Motion made and seconded to adopt this form. Motion made and seconded to table this motion until next quarterly meeting. (carried)

Each church should fill out names and addresses of pastor and clerk, church address and phone numbers, etc., and send to the association clerk for the state and national directory.

Motion made and seconded that each church who has someone to be examined to notify the district clerk at least two weeks in advance of the credential board's meeting. (carried)

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. Dismissed in

REGISTERING FOR THE CONFERENCES

Ministers	1st	2nd	3rd	Annual
Roy Bingham -----	X	X	X	X
Hermon Wood -----	X	X	X	X
Melvin Tyson -----	X	X	X	X
Ronald E. Carner -----	X	X	X	X
Jim Haas -----	X	X	X	X
Floyd Ferguson -----	X	X	X	X
Lester Nutting -----	X	X	X	X
Allen Wood -----	X		X	X
Amos Peace -----		X	X	X
Raymond Allen -----	X	X	X	
Raymond McMillen -----	X	X		X
Richard Rust -----	X		X	X
T. T. Deere -----	X	X		X
Leon Hargrove -----		X	X	X
Frank Johnson -----	X	X		
Larry Lee Tuttle -----	X	X		
Floyd Test -----	X	X		
John Mahan -----	X	X		
John H. Brown -----	X			X
Ollie Heaton -----				X
Gene Hester -----			X	
Charles Gann Jr. -----			X	
Bob Hidde -----		X		
Otho A. Boyd -----		X		
Clyde Shade -----			X	
Vernon Maggard -----		X		
Lyle E. Huntley -----	X			
Charles Black -----				X
Dugan McDonald -----	X	X		
Lynn Wood -----	X			
Dr. J. D. O'Donnell -----	X			
Homer Young -----				X
Jerry Rhoades -----				X
Deacons	1st	2nd	3rd	Annual
Jimmy Gray -----	X	X	X	X
Dale Brown -----	X	X	X	X
Floyd J. Hudson -----	X	X	X	X
Clyde Huey -----	X		X	X
Fred Leanard -----	X	X		X
Lloyd C. Hudson -----	X	X		X
Cliff Goines -----	X	X	X	
Olan Frauenberger -----	X			X
Claude McLaughlin -----			X	X
S. O. Johnson -----	X	X		
Troy Sanders -----			X	X
C. E. Pope -----			X	X
D. Wendell Prentice -----		X		
Dave Brixey -----		X		
Joe Hudson -----		X		

W. W. Herron -----	X	
Ray C. Stewart -----		X
Harold Jones -----	X	
John Redfern -----		X
Monroe McMillen -----		X
Sam Callison -----	X	
Bill McCloud -----	X	
C. L. Locke -----	X	
C. W. Kays -----	X	

NORTHEAST OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Number of Churches -----	13
Number of Parsonages -----	5
Number of Ordained Ministers -----	24
Number of Licensed Ministers -----	2
Number of Ordained Deacons -----	30
Number of the following auxiliaries	
Sunday Schools -----	13
Woman's Auxiliaries -----	6
C.T.S. -----	6
Master's Men -----	1
Prayer Meeting -----	13
Church Membership -----	675
Resident -----	342
Non-Resident -----	56
Members Received -----	138
By Profession of Faith -----	44
By Letter -----	31
By Statement of Faith -----	15
Members Dismissed -----	42
By Letter -----	13
Excluded -----	22
Deceased -----	5
Sunday School Enrolment -----	758
League Enrolment -----	190
Woman's Auxiliary Membership -----	54

X FINANCIAL REPORT

Total giving in the Churches -----	\$ 74,860.30
General Offering -----	\$ 40,040.88
Building Fund -----	\$ 2,521.54
Spent for local causes ---	
Pastor's Salary -----	\$ 28,622.15
Evangelistic Work -----	1,749.59
Bldg. & Repair -----	8,767.62
Literature -----	2,772.89
Advertising (radio programs, etc.) -----	249.62
Miscellaneous -----	9,590.46
Other -----	13,907.21
Total Local Expenditures -----	\$ 41,779.79
Cooperative Plan or Unified Program -----	\$ 6,665.52
Foreign Missions -----	2,091.08
Home Missions -----	979.06
Education -----	1,651.56
Association Projects -----	260.00
State & National projects -----	10.00
Other -----	1,862.27
Total Outside Expenditures -----	\$ 11,317.96
Value of Associational Property -----	50,000.00
Value of Church Property -----	241,100.00
Value of Parsonage Property -----	32,800.00

NORTHEAST OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Financial statement for the period

August 1, 1970 to July 31, 1971

Balances of August 1, 1970 -----	
General Fund -----	\$ 414.23
Maintenance Fund -----	000.00
College Fund -----	75.00
Mission Fund -----	000.00
	\$ 489.23
Income from August 1, 1970 to July 31, 1971 -----	\$ 15,389.60
	\$ 15,878.83
Local Expenses -----	
State Delegates and Minutes ----	\$ 100.00
State Board Member -----	25.00
Dinners -----	325.00
Maintenance -----	434.52
Vinita Church -----	400.00
Dewey Church -----	600.00
Office Supplies -----	72.23
Youth Camp -----	884.79
Electric -----	69.51
Lease on Youth Camp -----	25.00
Secretary Pay -----	25.00

Youth Retreat Insurance -----	25.00	
Gro. Youth Retreat -----	37.95	
Education Board -----	35.00	
Printing of Minutes -----	163.30	
Mission Board -----	20.00	
Credential Board -----	10.00	
Youth Camp Literature -----	72.60	
VBS Packs -----	28.25	
	<u> </u>	\$ 3,365.15

Outside Expenses

Cooperative Plan -----	\$ 3,862.41	
Oklahoma Bible College -----	2,439.63	
Foreign Mission -----	593.84	
Home Mission -----	497.29	
Missions -----	12.32	
Ernie Deeds -----	319.00	
Casineaus -----	100.00	
Authur Billows -----	186.23	
Robert Bryan -----	20.00	
Eddie Payne -----	174.02	
Howard Gage -----	292.43	
Larry Powell -----	20.00	
Jim Combs -----	104.19	
Native Pastor No. 37 -----	306.82	
Tom Willey Jr. -----	240.00	
Mac Owens -----	124.69	
Fred McCoy -----	141.80	
Pakistan -----	5.00	
Nashville FWBC -----	120.14	
Arilla Wode -----	495.00	
Call-a-thon -----	19.47	
	<u> </u>	\$ 10,216.90

Total Expenses -----	\$ 13,582.05
	\$ 2,296.78

Balances of July 31, 1971

General Fund -----	\$ 854.97
Maintenance Fund -----	1,091.75
College Fund -----	50.00
Mission Fund -----	299.06
	<u> </u>
	\$ 2,295.78

Respectfully Submitted

Jack Metcalf, Secretary and Treasurer

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