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February 13, 1960

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting
to Organize Group
Four

Held Saturday February 13th 1960 at the First Free Will Baptist Church of Winters, California, with five churches represented.

Church	Pastor
Mt. Pleasant Free Will Baptist	- Elder Frank Helms
Olivehurst " " "	- Elder Edward Mize
Esparto " " "	- Elder Russell Hicks
Capitol " " "	- Elder Carl Walter
Winters " " "	- Elder Paul E. Lee

The meeting started at 9:45 A.M. with song service and election of officers followed.

Moderator-----Elder Paul E. Lee
Ass. Mod.-----Elder Frank Helms
Secretary-----Sis. Billie Constant
Ass. Sect.-----Sis. Betty Bickham
Treasurer-----Sis. Lorene Ware

Election of Executive Board followed;

Elder Jay Constant-----Five Year Man
Elder Frank Helms-----Four Year Man
Elder Russell Hicks-----Three Year Man
Elder Carl Walter-----Two Year Man
Elder Edward Mize-----One Year Man

Motion made and seconded to the following procedure during business conference; that a person wishing to speak must stand, address the Moderator, and wait to be recognized before proceeding. Motion carried.

The Morning message was brought by Bro. Frank Helms of the Mt. Pleasant Church.

Meeting was then adjourned until one o'clock, with Bro. Carl Walter dismissing in prayer.

Dinner was served by the ladies from the Winters and Esparto Churches.

Services reopened with prayer by Bro. Edward Mize.

We then had a devotional reading and prayer by Bro. Carl Walter. The reading was from Isaiah 55: 1-2

Meeting was again called in conference: Motion was made and seconded to accept the present treatise and by laws of the constitution, but to leave open for adopting any additional treatise later; motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded to accept Mt. Pleasant's invitation to the next Quarterly Meeting which is May 6th and 7th 1960. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded that each church send three members from the laity of the church as representatives to the conference. Also deacons and wives, ministers and wives, and church clerks are standing delegates. Motion Carried.

Motion made and seconded that the host church be allowed to select their introductory speakers for the conference. Motion Carried.

The speaker selected for the introductory sermon at Mt. Pleasant Church will be Bro Paul E. Lee, Pastor of the Winters Free Will Baptist Church.

Motion made and seconded to give the host churches a standing vote of thanks. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned until the next conference to be held at Mt. Pleasant.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bert Hilton.

Elder Paul Lee - Moderator
Sis Billie Constant. Clerk

Setting number
two

May 7th 1960

Minutes of Golden Gate Quarterly Meeting No. Four; when in session at Mt. Pleasant Free Will Baptist Church, Saturday May 7th 1960.

Meeting started at 9:30 A. M. with song service led by Charles Bertrum; and Devotional reading by Elder Russell Hicks; from Galatians. He also led in prayer.

Conference was called to order by the Moderator Elder Paul E. Lee.

Letters were read from the Capitol and Winters Churches; Motion was made and seconded letters be accepted as read. Motion carried.

Letters were then read from Olivehurst, Mt. Pleasant and Esparto Churches and motion was made and seconded that we accept them as read; Motion Carried.

Delegates were then seated and the moderator appointed ask for an altar of prayer and the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Motion was made and seconded that the moderator appoint the pulpit committee. He appointed Bro. Charles Bertrum, Bro Gene Sherbourne, and Elder Frank Helms.

Clerk read the request from Capitol Free Will Baptist Church for Bro. Bert Hilton, to be examined by the executive board for the purpose of granting him a transfer from the General Baptist Deaconship to Free Will Baptist Deaconship.

Clerk read the request from the Olivehurst Free Will Baptist Church that Bro. Lowell Foster be examined by the executive board for the purpose of being licensed to preach the gospel.

Appointment of Committees. Motion was made and seconded that the moderator be given the power to appoint the committees. Motion carried.

Resolution Committee. Elder Carl Walter, Elder W.L. Easterly and Bro. Elvin Mcatee.

Obituary Committee: Jeanette Bickham, Ellen Hicks, Bro. Jack Edens, Maxine Sherbourne and Shirley Mize.

Motion was made and seconded that we elect a finance committee next meeting. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded we combine the offices of Clerk and Treasurer; Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded we retain Sis Billie Constant as our Clerk Treasurer; Motion carried.

The 11:00 A.M. message was brought by Elder Carl Walter. Song service by Bro. Bert Hilton; Prayer by Bro. Lowell Foster, and a special song by the Esparto Church.

The congregation sang "When We All Get To Heaven". We then had altar prayer.

Elder Carl Walter brought an inspiring message using as his scripture reading 1 Cor. 2: 6-11. The theme of this message was "Heaven."

Dismissed in prayer for the noon meal, which was deliciously prepared by the women from the Mt. Pleasant and Olivehurst Churches.

Elder Jack Edens pronounced the benediction and the table blessing.

Saturday 1:15 P.M.

Song service was led by Bro. Bert Hilton; Devotional reading by Bro. Ed. Mize from James 4:10.

Moderator declared the conference again in session for business.

Motion made and seconded that we set up our quarterly meetings ahead of time. Motion carried.

The schedule is as follows:

August 1960--Olivehurst F.W.B. Ch.--
speaker Elder Carl Walter
alternate: Elder Ed. Mize

November 1960-Capitol-F.W.B. Ch.
Speaker-Elder Jay Constant
Alternate-Elder Russell Hicks

February 1960- Esparto-F.W.B. Ch.
Speaker-Elder W.L. Easterly
Alternate Elder Jay Constant

Motion made and seconded that we send a letter and delegates to the Golden Gate Annual Association with request to become members of the Annual Association- Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded we elect three members of this body to take the petitionary letter to the Golden Gate Annual Association. Motion carried.

The following were elected: Bro. Charles Bertrum, Sis Nova Jennings Bro Lowell Doster.

The obituary committee reported there were no deaths in the last three months of any of the five churches. Report was read and accepted.

Motion was made and seconded that Bro. Bert Hilton be granted new credentials from General Baptist to Free Will Baptist Church as a leacon. Motion carried.

Resolution committee report read as follows;

1. Discussion was tabled.
2. Rejected- Motion was made and seconded to reject; Motion

carried.

3. Motion made and seconded that the church covenant be read to all those seeking church membership; Motion carried.
4. Motion made and seconded that each church clerk send in names of all ministers and deacons with address to our association clerk. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded that we set the third Friday night of each month for quarterly fellowship meeting to start in June with the following schedule. Motion carried.

June- Winters- Speaker Elder Carl Walter			
July- Capitol- Free Will Baptist Church			
Aug. Esparto	"	"	"
Sept. Mt. Pleasant	"	"	"
Oct. Olivehurst	"	"	"

This to rotate again from beginning.

Motion made and seconded we give the host church a rising vote of thanks. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded we adjourn until our next meeting at Olivehurst, California. Motion carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Jewell Flanery.

Elder Paul E. Lee-Moderator

Sis. Betty Bickham- Clerk.

Elder Paul Lee - Moderator
Sis Betty Bickham - Ass. Clerk

Setting number
three

August 6th 1960

Minutes of Golden Gate Quarterly Meeting No. Four when in session at Olivehurst FreeWill Baptist Church, August 6th 1960.

The meeting started at 10 A.M. with congregational singing led by Bro. Bert Hilton; and prayer by Bro. Al. Jacoe.

Bro. Jewell Flanery gave a devotional reading and also prayer.

Conference was then called to order by the moderator Elder Paul E. Lee.

Letters from each church were read and motion was made and seconded that we accept them as read. Motion carried.

Clerk read the request from the Olivehurst Free Will Baptist Church that Bro. Gene Sherbourne be examined for license to preach the gospel.

The moderator asked for an altar of prayer after which the delegates were given the right hand of fellowship.

Motion was made and seconded that to save time, the moderator appoint the pulpit committee for the morning message. Motion carried. They were Elder Frank Helms, Bro. George Sherbourne and Bro. Flanery.

Appointment of committees:

Motion was made and seconded that the moderator also appoint the committees which are resolution, Finance, and obituary. Motion carried.

Resolution Committee

Bro. Charles Bertrum-----Esparto
Bro. Alvy Steele-----Olivehurst
Bro. Bert Hilton-----Sacramento

Finance Committee

Bro. Jay Constant-----Olivehurst
Bro. Carl Walter-----Sacramento
Bro. Charles Bertrum-----Esparto
Sis Lois Mize-----Mt. Pleasant
Sis Marie Rutledge-----Winters

Obituary Committee

Sis Grimmer-----Sacramento
Sis Marie Rutledge-----Winters
Sis Walter-----Sacramento
Sis Walker-----Mt. Pleasant
Sis Gloria Palmer-----Olivehurst

Clerk read the minutes for meeting number two. Motion was made and seconded we accept them as read. Motion carried.

We then adjourned our business meeting until 1:30 P.M. with closing prayer by Elder Ed. Montgomery.

services reopened by Elder Frank Helms and prayer by Elder Clark Astee. After prayer was called for and the services were then turned over to Elder Al. Jacob for the morning message; from Isaiah 6 "Looking Three Ways."

We were then dismissed in prayer for the noon meal.

Saturday August 6th 1:30 P.M.

Song services was led by Bro. Bert Milton and a devotional reading by Elder Paul Lee from Isaiah 9: 6 and then prayer.

With no old business at this time, new business was called for.

Motion was made and seconded that Sis Peggy Helms be our assistant clerk treasurer. Motion carried.

Reports of Committees:

Obituary committee reported there were no deaths in the past three months of any of the five churches. report was read and accepted.

Resolution committee:

1. Be it resolved that the finance committee set up a financial program to help in erecting new church buildings.

2. OUT OF ORDER

3. Be it resolved that all laws passed by majority vote during quarterly conference, be acted upon promptly.

4. Be it resolved that we give the host church a standing vote of thanks.

Finance Committee

Motion was made and seconded that quarterly meeting number four send 20.00 dollars to the state cooperative plan, and send 10.00 there after to same. Motion carried.

Executive Board : Motion was made and seconded that Bro. Gene Sherbourne be given a license to preach the gospel for one year. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded that we yet elect a man to be under the executive board for the purpose of a home missions board. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded that Elder Edward Mize be accepted for this position. Motion carried.

Due to Elder Paul Lees departure from our quarterly we will have his assistant Elder Frank Helms as our moderator with Elder Carl Walter as his assistant for the remainder of this term.

Motion was made and seconded that we adjourn until our next conference on Nov. 4th and 5th at Sacramento, Calif. Motion carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro Jay Constant.

*Elder Paul Lee - Mod.
Sis Peggy Helms - Clerk*

Minutes of Golden Gate Quarterly Meeting Number Four When in Session
at The First Free Will Baptist Church of Sacramento, California

Saturday November 5th 1960

Meeting started at 9:30 a.m. with song service, led by Bro. Loren Rush of Sacramento.

Prayer by ~~Elder~~ Eddie Stutz of Mt. Pleasant.

Bro. Bert Hilton of the Sacramento Church gave a devotional reading from Psalms 67:

Conference was then called to order by Elder Frank Helms.

Clerk read the letters from the five churches. Motion was made and seconded that we accept the reading of the letters, with the exception of the Esparto letter. Motion Carried.

Delegates were seated and given the right hand of fellowship by the congregation.

Motion was made and seconded that we accept Valley View Acres Free Will Baptist Church into our Quarterly Meeting #4. Motion carried.

The assistant clerk read the ~~minutes~~ minutes for setting # 3 and motion was made and seconded that we accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Clerk read the request from the Mt. Pleasant Free Will Baptist Church that their Pastor Elder Eddie Stutz be examined by the executive board for the purpose of being ordained.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Motion was made and seconded that the moderator be given power to appoint committees. Motion carried.

Pulpit committee;

Elder Carl Walter- Sacramento, Calif.
Bro. Jewell Flanery- Winters, Calif.
Bro. Booth- Valley View Acres, Sacramento.

Resolution Committee;

Bro. Bert Hilton- Sacramento, Calif.
Elder Jay Constant- Olivehurst, Calif.
Elder Ed. Montgomery- Winters, Calif.

There was know old business to be brought up at this time.

The Executive Board retired for discussion, and while they were in conference Elder Orbin Doss gave a talk on the State Cooperative plan, and also of the Free Will Baptist Book Store in Concord.

The conference was then adjourned until 1:30 p.m.

Services reopened with congregational singing led by Bro. Rush and a special song by Bro. Criswell, a visiting bro. from Stockton Calif.

Report of Committees:

Resolution committee:

1. Be it resolved that the home mission man be the Pastor Pro-tem to each mission until it is organized with one minister pastor who will be a member of that church.
2. Be it resolved that the churches of this Quarterly Meeting have there officers elections during school vacation if possible.
3. Be it resolved that this Quarterly Meeting have a camp meeting for one week at some designated place in this area, this summer.
4. Be it resolved that the Quarterly Meeting give the host church a standing vote of thanks.

Motion was made and seconded on each of these that we accept them. carried.

Committee appointed for finding the spot for the camp meeting are as follows:

Bro. Booth----Sacramento
Bro. Foster---Olivehurst
Bro Gene Sherbourne---Olivehurst
Sis. Pat Clifton---1st Sacramento
Sis. Mcatee---Winters

These are to find a spot and decide on place at the next Quarterly meeting.

Obituary Committee:--Reports that there has only been one death in 1960. This one was Sister Pearl Robison from Olivehurst Free Will Baptist Church.

We had a few moments of ~~sil~~ silent prayer for the bereaved and Bro. Jay Constant her Pastor, led in prayer on behalf of Sis Robison's loved ones left behind.

Executive Board:

The Executive board examined Bro. Sherbourne and recommended that he be given a license to preach the gospel for one year. ~~motion~~.

Motion was made and seconded to this effect. Motion carried.

Finance Committee:

We recommend that when the home mission man is not engaged in home mission work, should he be called to a mission we pay him six cents per mile. Motion was made and seconded to this and motion carried.

Conference was then adjourned with altar prayer:

Harvey P. Helms
moderator
Wm. H. Constantine