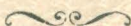


Mrs W. W. Winters

MINUTES
of the
Forty-Sixth Annual Session
of the
Northwest Brazos Association
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Convened With The
FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
of
AMARILLO, TEXAS



Will Convene at Hobbs, New Mexico
FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
601 East Skelly
August, 1956

MODERATOR.....REV. H. W. BREEDING
ASST. MODERATOR.....REV. EDD ABBOTT
CLERK.....KATIE PINSON
ASST. CLERK.....REBECCA ROBINSON
TREASURER.....SCOTT OGLE

Albuquerque, New Mexico
607 Wallas St. NE

PROCEEDINGS

Thursday Evening, August 25, 1955

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. H. H. Haston. Congregational song, "It's A Grand and Glorious Feeling." Prayer by Rev. H. W. Breeding. Motion carried that we go into our Annual Meeting. Sister L. C. Pinson was appointed Clerk pro-tem for the meeting by the Moderator. The Moderator called for the letters. The following church reported.



REPORT OF VERNON CHURCH Church Status

State of Religion	Good
Members received this year	4
Members received by Baptism	2
Re-Dedication	3
Number Dismissed	4
Number Dismissed by Letter	3
Number Died	None
Total Membership	71
Condition of Prayer Meeting	Good
Condition of Sunday School	Good
Number Enrolled	51
Average Attendance for Quarter	30
Number of Officers and Teachers	6
Condition of League	Good
Number on Roll	38
Average Attendance	28

Financial Status

Paid Pastor	\$ 600.00
Paid Evangelist	62.20
Janitor	96.00
Delegates	81.22
Up-Keep	71.89
Sunday School Literature	69.66
Minutes	18.75
Insurance	28.20
Song Books	13.00
Christmas Expenses	11.56
Flowers	9.00
Expenses	\$1,061.88
Income for Year	1,100.73
In Treasury	\$ 38.85

Pastor, Rev. W. W. Winters, Box 1281.
Delegate, Ola Mae Winters.

REPORT OF ODESSA CHURCH

Church Status

State of Religion	Good
Members Received this Year	11
Number Baptized	3
Number Dismissed	3
Number Died	1
Total Membership	103
Condition of Prayer Meeting	Extra Good
Condition of Sunday School	Good
Average Number of Pupils	66
Number of Officers	3
Number of Teachers	8

Financial Status

Paid Pastor	\$2,997.34
Paid Evangelist	100.00
Home Missions	75.00
Foreign Missions	42.75
Children's Home	40.00
Building and Repairs	2,146.00
Education	220.00
Bible College	30.00
Publication	257.50
Utilities	512.06
Janitor	110.00
Flowers	65.89
Payment on Church Property	1,050.94
Pastor's Expense to National	35.00
Pastor's Car Expense	191.79

Pastor, Rev. E. J. Wilson, 2205 West 7th.

Delegates: Amy Belle Wilson, Morris Dean Huckeba. and
Edward Wilson, Jr.



REPORT OF SAYRE CHURCH

Church Status

State of Religion	Good
Members Received this Year	7
Number Baptized	4
Number Dismissed	None
Number Died	2
Total Membership	61
Condition of Prayer Meeting	Good
Condition of Sunday School	Good
Average Number of Pupils	52
Number of Officers	3
Number of Teachers	4

Financial Status

Paid Pastor	\$2,023.39
Paid Evangelist	120.00
Home Missions	50.00
Foreign Missions	50.00
Building and Repairs	6.00
Literature (song books)	76.24

Pastor, Rev. Edd Abbott, 111 West Poplar.

Delegates: Ethel Tindell, Alma Ware and Pearl Abbott.



REPORT OF KERMIT CHURCH

Church Status

State of Religion	Good
Members Received this Year	12
Number Dismissed	14
Total Membership	41
Number Baptized	1
Number Died	None
Condition of Prayer Meeting	Good
Condition of Sunday School	Good
Average Number of Pupils	30
Number of Officers	3
Number of Teachers	4

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Financial Status

Paid Pastor	\$ 500.00
Paid Evangelist	150.00
Home Missions	None
Foreign Missions	8.00
Children's Home	36.00
Flowers	35.00
Utilities	213.46
Building and Repairs	450.00
Payment on Church Debt	315.00
Educational Literature	75.00
Value of Church Property	\$1,800.00

Pastor, Rev. Nolan Robinson, 1015 West Campbell.

Delegates: Rebecca Robinson, Mary Lane, and Rexie Thompson.



REPORT OF AMARILLO SECOND CHURCH

Church Status

State of Religion	Good
Members Received this Year	6
Number Baptized	2
Number Dismissed	1
Number Died	None
Total Membership	37

Condition of Prayer Meeting	Fair
Condition of Sunday School	Good
Average Number of Pupils	30
Number of Officers	2
Number of Teachers	4

Financial Status

Building and Repairs	\$360.00
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Pastor, Rev. W. T. Harp, 1415 Trigg St.

Delegates: H. T. Darnell, Junita Kerr, and Viola Harp.

Alternates: Ruth Carper and Bro. Carper.



REPORT OF AMARILLO FIRST CHURCH Church Status

State of Religion	Good
Members Received this Year	29
Number Baptized	4
Number Dismissed	10
Number Died	None
Total Membership	133
Condition of Prayer Meeting	Good
Condition of Sunday School	Good
Average Number of Pupils	99
Number of Teachers	7
Number of Officers	9

Financial Status

Paid Pastor	\$2,785.00
Paid Evangelist	83.98
Building and Repairs	1,654.29
Education	83.98
Publication	10.00

Pastor, Rev. W. V. McPhail, 900 North Johnson.

Delegates: Sister Williams, Sister Walker, and Bro. Tooleson.

Alternates: Sisters Steward, Miller and Allison.



REPORT OF MEMPHIS CHURCH Church Status

State of Religion	Good
Members Received this Year	5
Number Dismissed	None
Number Died	None
Total Membership	30
Condition of Sunday School	Good
Average Number of Pupils	35
Number of Officers	2
Number of Teachers	4

Financial Status

Foreign Missions	\$ 4.70
Home Missions	4.70
State	4.70
Associational	4.70
College	4.70
Loyalty Gift	8.91
Local Missions	18.59
Value of Church Property	2,000.00
Paid on New Building	828.98
Paid Pastor	251.50
Paid Evangelist	95.34
Ministerial Help	7.00
Love Offering	11.62
Janitor	15.00
Sunday School Literature	15.50
Utilities	41.62
Song Books	12.35
Delegates Expenses	44.85

Pastor, Rev. H. W. Breeding, Rt. No. 2, Dimmit, Texas.

Delegates: Sisters H. W. Breeding, Howard Gilcrest, and Sybil Gilcrest.



REPORT OF ARTESIA CHURCH Church Status

State of Religion	Good
Members Received this Year	18
Number Baptized	18
Number Dismissed	1
Number Died	None
Total Membership	25
Condition of Prayer Meeting	Good
Condition of Sunday School	Excellent
Average Number of Pupils	33
Number of Officers	2
Number of Teachers	4

Financial Status

Paid Pastor	\$205.80
Paid Evangelist	25.00
Home Missions	None
Foreign Missions	None
Building and Repairs	811.87
Education	79.63
Publication	6.15
Superannuation	None

Pastor, Rev. Roy L. Thomas, 214 West Chism.

Delegates: Addie Pierson and Gertie Parker.

REPORT OF CROWELL CHURCH

Church Status

State of Religion	Good
Condition of Sunday School	Good
Condition of Prayer Meeting	Good
Number Added to Our Church	2
By Baptism	2
Membership	70

Financial Status

Paid Pastor	\$ 666.05
Paid Evangelist	101.95
Janitor	52.00
Flowers	20.00
Misc. Expenses	112.55
Literature	30.30
Value of Church Property	6,000.00
Pastor, Rev. H. H. Haston, Guthrie Route, Paducah, Texas.	

NON-REPRESENTED CHURCHES

First Free Will Baptist Church of Andrews, Texas.
 First Free Will Baptist Church of Lamesa, Texas.

REPORT OF HOBBS CHURCH

Church Status

State of Religion	Good
Number of Active Members on Roll	40
Members Set Aside as Unactive	27
Number of Conversions	51
Number of Re-Dedications	15
Number Baptized	26
Members Received	35
Members Dismissed	7
Members Died	None
Condition of Prayer Meeting	Good
Condition of Sunday School	Good
Present Enrollment	55
Average Number of Pupils	45
Number of Officers	2
Number of Teachers	6

Financial Status

Paid Pastor	\$1,960.00
Paid Evangelist	390.00
Home Missions	None
Foreign Missions	None
Building and Repairs	393.14
Education	132.68

Publication	22.00
Flowers	23.00
Paid on Piano	144.00
Christmas Expenses	26.33
Utilities	262.51
Paving Bill	243.00
Misc. Expenses	298.33
Janitor	220.00
Air Conditioning	213.96
Paid on Church Debt	1,403.43
Paid on Parsonage	650.00
Insurance	139.34
Advertisement	7.00
Church Obtained Loan	4,800.00
Paid on Church Loan	3,000.00
Income for Year	5,188.11
Expenses for Year	6,071.86
Value of Church Property	20,394.10
Amount in Treasury	449.42

*Pastor. Rev. L. C. Pinson, 601 East Skelly.

Delegates: Clela Webb, Bessie Gartman and Emma Stafford.

Alternates: Katie Pinson and Kathryn Thompson.



Motions carried that all letters be accepted as read. Motion carried that the Moderator appoint the committees. Congregational song, "Just One Way to the Gate," led by Bro. D. K. Taylor, Betty Witt pianist. Seating of delegates and giving them the right hand of fellowship. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Edd Abbott.

Message by Rev. E. J. Wilson, scripture reading from I Cor. 4:1-6, his text was from Rev. 11:1, God Measuring the Church.

Placing of delegates by Sister Opal Allison. Moderator announced that we would meet back at 9:30 a.m. Friday.



FRIDAY MORNING

Meeting was called to order by the Moderator. Congregational song, "Where The Soul of Man Never Dies" led by Rev. N. Robinson, Gwen Howard, pianist. Prayer by Rev. W. W. Winters. Congregational song, "The Glory Land Way." The Moderator's scripture was from Matt. 16:20. The rules of order were read by the Moderator.

Rules of Order

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Those who speak shall rise and address the moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.

3. No motion shall be discussed without a second.
4. When a motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be separated by vote on request of any member.
5. Motion lost shall not be recorded.
6. No one shall speak more than twice on any subject without leave of the moderator.
7. All questions shall be decided by the majority of the members present.
8. No one shall leave the Association without permission of the moderator.
9. Arrangements shall be made for two or more sermons each day of the Association, or other equivalent services.
10. The Rules of Order shall be read by the moderator immediately after the organization of the Association.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

PULPIT COMMITTEE:

Scott Ogle, Ola Mae Winters, Gertie Parker.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:

Rev. Edd Abbott, Rev. E. J. Wilson, Rev. N. Robinson.

FOREIGN MISSIONS:

Rev. Ken Walker, Amy Belle Wilson, Pearl Abbott.

OBITUARY:

Rev. H. H. Haston, Addie Pierson, Clela Webb.

TEMPERANCE:

H. T. Darnell, William Miller, Mary Lane.

The moderator read the Proposed Budget of The Northwest Brazos Association submitted by Rev. E. J. Wilson, Rev. Nolan Robinson and Rev. L. C. Pinson. Rev. Wilson explained how the Budget would work. There was an open discussion on the Budget. Motion made and seconded that we accept the Budget. Motion carried that we amend that portion of Budget to Children's Home 5% instead of 10% and raise the Home Missions to 15%. Motion carried that we adopt the proposed Budget and recommend it to our churches. This is a recommendation and not a law.

Associational Budget of The Northwest Brazos Association of Free Will Baptist for the Associational Year beginning August 1, 1955, closing August 1, 1956.

In cooperation with the National Plan of support:

Association	\$500.00
Children's Home	\$125.00

State Home Missions	\$375.00
National Cooperative Plan:	
Foreign Missions	
National Home Missions	
Executive Dept.	
Superannuation	\$1500.00
Bible College	
League	
Sunday School	
Total Budget	\$2500.00

This amount to be paid as follows: By all churches of this Association, TITHING of it's regular monthly income. Not including special offerings taken by the church for Revivals, Building Funds, etc. Paying Monthly, 10% of it's income for support of all our Denominational Enterprises. Including the Budget of this Association and our National Cooperative Plan.

To Be Allocated in the following manner:

Association	20%
Children's Home	5%
State Home Missions	15%
National Cooperative Plan:	
Home Missions (National)	
Foreign Missions	
Executive Dept.	
Superannuation	60%
Bible College	
League	
Sunday School	

Submitted by the Budget Planning Committee: Rev. E. J. Wilson, chairman; Rev. Nolan Robinson and Rev. L. C. Pinson.

Letters of recommendation were read from the Second Church of Amarillo and the First Church of Memphis.

Setting of a place for the next Annual Meeting. Motion carried that we ask for the Quarterly and Annual Meeting from the floor this session and after this session the churches send in their request for these meetings in their letters. Hobbs, New Mexico, was the place set for the next Annual Meeting.

Setting of a place for the next Quarterly Meeting. Artesia, New Mexico, was the place set for the next meeting.

Motion carried that we consider all the invitations for the Annual and Quarterly meetings from the letters.

Motion carried that we adjourn business until 1:30 p.m.

Congregational song, "Amazing Grace."

Message by Rev. Nolan Robinson, scripture reading from Judges 20:30-43. His text, "They Were Amazed." Prayer by Rev. Nolan Robinson.

Message by Rev. Edd Abbott, scripture reading from Matt. 25:1-11. His text, "They Were Amazed When the Door Was Shut."

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. E. J. Wilson.



FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Services opened in congregational song, "Just Over In The Glory Land," led by Bro. Bill Miller, Pat Thomas pianist. Special song by Earl and Edward Wilson, "Is He Satisfied." Prayer by Rev. L. C. Pinson. Rev. Haston, moderator, chose his scripture from II Cor. 5:1-3. The moderator asked that the meeting come to order. The moderator called for the reports from the committees.

HOME MISSION REPORT:

We, your Home Mission Committee, are happy to report that there have been two new churches organized. One at Andrews, Texas, with seventeen charter members. Rev. J. A. C. Hughes, Rev. Whitfield and Rev. L. C. Pinson were the organizing council. Rev. Alford Savage is pastor.

Another church was organized at Lamesa, Texas. Rev. J. A. C. Hughes, Brother Cox, an ordained Deacon, and Rev. L. C. Pinson were the organizing council. Rev. J. H. Olds is the pastor.

CONTRIBUTED TO HOME MISSIONS:

Odessa, Texas, \$75.00; Sayre, Okla., \$50.00; Amarillo, Second Church, \$12.00; Memphis Texas, \$4.70; total contributed \$141.70.

RESOLUTION REPORT:

We, your Resolution Committee, recommend that all except essential business be omitted Thursday evening and recommend that it be only an Evangelistic service, since business has grown to the extent it hinders the Introductory service.

OBITUARY REPORT:

We, the Obituary Committee, are sorry to report that there have been five deaths in our Association this year.

Bro. A. C. Hinkle and Bro. Houston White of Crowell, Texas; Brother Darnell Richards of Odessa, Texas; Sister M. W. Ford and Sister Minnie Skelton of Sayre, Oklahoma.

FOREIGN MISSIONS:

We, the Foreign Missions Committee, are happy to report an improvement in the support of our Foreign Missions.

We have five churches reporting as follows:

Memphis, \$4.70; Kermit, \$8.00; Sayre, \$50.00; Odessa, \$42.75; and Amarillo First Church, \$40.00; making a total of \$145.45, which is an increase of two churches supporting, but the total offering was \$19.92 less than that of last year.

We, the Foreign Missions Committee, recommend that next year all our churches have a report to turn in that we might have a part in reaching those of foreign lands for Christ.

TEMPERANCE REPORT:

We, the Temperance Committee, resolve to abstain from any world deeds that might be a stumbling block for others, and to live a life as near perfect as we know how, and to keep our bodies as a Holy Temple.

We also resolve to press forward as Jesus said in Luke 9:26a, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the Kingdom of God.

Motion carried that the moderator apologize for not seating the Auxiliary delegate.

Motion carried that we seat her at this time.

The Woman's District Auxiliary report was given by Sister L. C. Pinson. Motion carried that it be accepted and printed in the Annual Minutes.

There was a round table discussion on, "How Can We Establish More Churches?"

Motion carried that we have an open discussion on new churches and give each speaker five minutes.

Motion carried that the Resolution Committee draw up a resolution that the Association not adjourn until the League Rally is over on Saturday.

Nominations were in order for an Executive Board Member, due to Rev. Winters' time being expired. Rev. W. V. McPhail was elected.

Associational Officers

Nominations in order for a Treasurer for the Association. Motion carried that Brother Scott Ogle be retained.

Nominations in order for a Clerk for the Association. Sister L. C. Pinson was elected Clerk. Sister Rebecca Robinson Asst. Clerk.

Nominations in order for a Moderator for the Association. Rev. H. W. Breeding was elected Moderator. Rev. Edd Abbott, Asst. Moderator.

Printing Committee

Electing of a committee to print the Annual Minutes. Sister L. C. Pinson, Sister E. J. Wilson and Rev. H. H. Haston were elected, with Sister Pinson as Chairman of the committee.

Motion carried that the committee take the important parts of the Quarterly Minutes and print them in the Annual Minutes.

Amount of Annual Minutes for Each Church

Crowell 25, Amarillo Second 20, Hobbs. 25, Amarillo First 25, Artesia 12, Odessa 25, Kermit 20, Bro. Bill Miller 5 (personally). Total count on minutes was 219. Motion carried that we have 250 copies printed, that we may have some extra.

Congregational song, "There's Power In The Blood," led by Bro. Bill Miller, with Sister Pat Thomas pianist.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Roy Thomas for a five minute intermission. Meeting opened in special song by Earl and Edward Wilson, "Jesus Is The Sweetest Name I Know." Message by Rev. W. W. Winters from Matt. 11. His text was from verse 6, "Blessed is he whosoever is not offended in me."

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. L. C. Pinson.



FRIDAY EVENING (7:30)

Opened in song. "Victory In Jesus," led by Rev. Ken Walker, with Gwen Howard, pianist. Prayer by Sister Gilcrest. Congregational song, "The Life Boat," led by Bro. D. K. Taylor, with Gwen Howard pianist. The Moderator declared the meeting in conference.

Nominations in order for a moderator for the next Quarterly meeting. Rev. Troy Harp was elected Moderator, Rev. E. J. Wilson, Asst. Moderator.

Resolution Adopted

The Resolution Committee recommend that we remain in session until the League Rally adjourns on Saturday. Motion carried that the resolution be adopted.

The League Recommendation Committee report was read. Motion carried that it be accepted as read.

Recommendation

We, the Recommendation Committee for the Camp Grounds, make the following recommendations:

1. Camp Ground should be centrally located.
2. Place should be a long time lease or purchased by Free Will Baptist.
3. Place should be equipped with water and lights.
4. Place should be convenient for travel.

Submitted by Pat Thomas and Bill Miller.

Rev. E. J. Wilson recommended that all our people take our Denominational Paper, the "Contact." Rev. J. R. Wooten was granted to speak. Congregational song, "I Would Not Be Denied." led by Bro. D. K. Taylor, with Betty Witt pianist. Prayer by Bro. Scott Ogle. Motion carried that we adjourn until 9:30 a.m. Saturday. Congregational song, "The Son Hath Made Me Free," led by Bro. D. K. Taylor, Betty Witt, pianist.

SATURDAY MORNING

Message by Rev. James F. Minor, scripture from Gal. 2:20, his text, "Crucified Christian." Invitation song, "Come Unto Me," led by Bro. D. K. Taylor, with Betty Witt at the piano. One soul was re-dedicated in the service. Congregational song, "'Tis the Old Time Religion." and hand shake was given to the rededicated.

Assigning of place for the delegates by Sister D. K. Taylor.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Kerr.



SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Rev. W. V. McPhail, asst. moderator, declared the meeting in conference, in absence of Moderator Rev. H. H. Haston.

Motion carried that the League Minutes be accepted and printed in the Annual Minutes.

The League presented their recommendations to the Association. Motion carried that it be accepted.

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Motion carried that we discharge all committees.

Motion carried that we put the amount of people attending the Association in the Annual Minutes.

ATTENDANCE: Visitors 77, Delegates 26, Ministers 18, Host Church 71, Total 192.

Motion carried that all churches register their attendance at both Annual and Quarterly Meetings.

State Delegates Elected

Delegates elected to represent the Northwest Brazos Association at the Texas State Association in Houston, Texas, Nov. 1-3, 1955, were: Katie Pinson and Rebecca Robinson. Alternates: Imeagene Gilcreast. Sister D. K. Taylor.

Motion carried that we adjourn this session to meet again in August 1956, the Lord willing.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Edd Abbott.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Financial Report of the Northwest Brazos Association for 1955
Money received from various Churches for Minutes, Regis-

tration Fees, and Expense of sending Delegates to State Association:

Sayre Church	\$ 18.75
Vernon Church	17.75
Memphis Church	12.90
Kermit Church	23.70
Amarillo Church	11.25
Artesia Church	13.10
Hobbs Church	23.70
Crowell Church	18.95
Odessa Church	18.50
	\$158.60

Each church sent \$7.70 for registration fee and expense of delegate to State Association.

Cost of the Minutes for the North Brazos Association which convened at Odessa was \$100.00 or 45 cents each.

Sister Winters and Sister Minor were elected delegates to represent the North Brazos Association at the State Association which convened at Henderson, Texas. Sister Winters was unable to attend the meeting due to illness.

A breakdown of expenditures is as follows:

Sister Minor's Expense to Henderson, Texas—

Bus Fare	\$23.75
Four Meals at \$1.50	6.00
Total	\$ 29.75
Minutes of North Brazos Association.....	\$100.00
Registration Fee	10.00
One Post Binder and Paper	4.20
Total	\$114.20

GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$143.95
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Total Amount Recd. from various churches	\$158.60
Recd. from Brazos Assn. for Orphanage	20.70

Total		\$179.30
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GRAND TOTAL RECEIVED		\$179.30
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BALANCE IN TREASURY		\$ 35.35
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S. E. OGLE, Treasurer

THE KERMIT QUARTERLY MEETING

Business that came up in The Kermit Quarterly Meeting February 24-25, 1955.

CAMP GROUND—Motion carried that each church take care of the support of the children sent from their church.

Motion carried that other children be recommended by a Free Will Baptist Church or the Camp Staff.

MINISTERS CARDS—Motion carried that Bro. Ogle order Minister cards for our Ministers and to Issue them yearly to Ministers in good standing in our Association.

PROGRAM COMMITTEES—Motion carried that the Program Committee adopt a theme and carry it out as near as possible.



THE CROWELL QUARTERLY MEETING

Business that came up in The Crowell Quarterly Meeting May 26-27, 1955.

PURPOSED BUDGET—Motion carried that we set up a Purposed Budget to be presented to our Association at the Annual meeting in August.

Motion carried that a Committee be elected from the floor to present this Budget.

Those elected were: Rev. E. J. Wilson, Rev. Nolan Robinson and Rev. L. C. Pinson.



WOMAN'S DISTRICT AUXILIARY REPORT

(Rebecca Robinson Presiding)

The meeting was opened in congregational song, "Come Unto Me," led by Bill Miller, Betty Whitt pianist. Prayer by Sister Pat Thomas. Congregational song. "The Son Hath Made Me Free." Welcome address given by Sister D. K. Taylor. Response given by Sister E. J. Wilson. Devotional by Sister McPhail from the 27th Psalm. Prayer by Rev. E. J. Wilson.

The chairman called for the minutes of the previous meeting. They were read by the secretary and stood approved.

Letters were called for. The following Auxiliaries reported: Hobbs, New Mex., Artesia, New Mex., and Amarillo First.

The Hobbs letter was read. Motion carried that it be accepted as read.

Amarillo First letter was read. Motion carried that it be accepted as read.

Artesia petitionary letter was read. Motion carried that

it be accepted and that they be received into our District Auxiliary.

The treasurer's report was given and accepted.

Prayer by Rev. W. V. McPhail. The Chairman called for any old business.

Sister Rebecca Robinson gave report of the Texas State Auxiliary Convention. Motion that the report be accepted as given. New Business called for. There was none.

Congregational song, "Just Over In The Glory Land," and "Where The Soul of Man Never Dies," led by Bro. Bill Milner, with Betty Whitt pianist.

An offering was taken for the Auxiliary in the amount of \$5.21 by Rev. W. H. Breeding.

Prayer by Rev. H. W. Breeding. Special song by Earl and Edward Wilson. "I'll Meet You In the Morning" and "My Mother's Bible." Message by Rev. Roy L. Thomas. His scripture was Luke 14:16, text: And Yet There Is Room.

The chairman read over the twelve officers to be elected. Those elected were as follows:

President—Sister E. J. Wilson, Box 3285, Odessa, Texas.

Vice President—Sister L. C. Pinson, 601 E. Skelly, Hobbs, N.M.

Secretary-Treasurer—Sister Etta L. Bevil, 625 N. Osage, Amarillo, Texas.

Youth Chairman—Sister Emma Hollman, 2205 N. Spring, Amarillo, Texas.

Study Course Chairman—Sister Clela Webb, Box 1903, Hobbs, New Mexico.

Corresponding Secretary—Sister D. K. Taylor, Rt. 3 Box 921, Amarillo, Texas.

Field Secretary—Sister L. C. Pinson, 601 E. Skelly Hobbs, N.M.

Stewardship-Prayer Chairman—Sister Barbara Miller, 900 N. Johnson. Amarillo, Texas.

Personnel Chairman—Sister Irene Wood, 1209½ W. Grant, Artesia, New Mexico.

Song Leader—Rev. E. J. Wilson, Box 285, Odessa, Texas.

Pianist—Sister Pat Thomas, 214 W. Chism, Artesia, N. M.

There were thirty ministers and Auxiliary members attending. Minutes were called for. They were read and stood approved. Motion carried that we give the Host Church a standing vote of thanks for a lovely lunch.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. H. H. Haston.

DISTRICT LEAGUE RALLY

(9:30 A. M. Saturday)

The League Rally was called to order by the secretary, Rebecca Robinson. Opened with congregation song, "Cleanse Me," led by Rev. E. J. Wilson, with Edward Wilson pianist. Prayer by Rev. Edd Abbott. Congregational song, "Deeper, Deeper."

A president pro-tem was elected. Rev. Roy L. Thomas was elected.

The letters were called for, there were seven Leagues reporting: Hobbs, Odessa, Artesia, Vernon, Amarillo First, Sayre and Kermit. Letters were read and accepted.

Treasurer's report read and accepted.

Old business called for: Minutes of the previous meeting read and accepted.

New business called for: Recommendation was read which was written by Recommendation Committee and was accepted by the Association. Open discussion followed.

Motion carried that we elect a committee from the floor to look for a suitable place for a Camp Ground and to have power to negotiate all that is necessary except to purchase. A committee was elected to look for a place for a Youth Camp. Committee as follows: Rev. E. J. Wilson, Rev. W. V. McPhail and Bro. Bill Miller. Motion carried that the League draw up a recommendation to present to the Association to empower this Committee to rent or lease a place for Youth Camp next summer.

Motion made and seconded that we retain the same Camp Staff and accept the rules.

CAMP STAFF—Rev. Roy L. Thomas, Rev. Junior Henley, Bro. Scott Ogle and Sisters Katie Pinson and Betty Hobbs.

Motion carried that we table this matter until the afternoon session.

Congregational songs. "Jesus Spoke to Me," and "Come Unto Me," led by Sister Imogene Gilcreast, with Pat Thomas pianist.

Message by Rev. Junior Henley, scripture from John 11:21-28. His text, "The Master is come and calleth for thee." Congregational song, "Is Thy Heart Right With God."

Dismissed in prayer by Sister E. J. Wilson.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON—1:30

Opened with special singing by the Wilson children, "Have You Heard." Prayer by Rev. James F. Minor.

Motion and second that was tabled for afternoon session concerning the Camp Staff was carried.

Sayre League letter was read and accepted.

Motion carried that each League send \$3.00 to the Host church with their letter.

Electing of new officers as follows:

President—Rev. Junior Henley. Vice President—Bill Miller. Secretary-Treasurer—Rebecca Robinson. Asst. Secretary and Treasurer—Elsie Henley. Song Leader—Jimmie Minor. Pianist—Pat Thomas. Asst. Song Leader—Judy Wooten. Asst. Pianist—Floy Minor. Speaker—Bill Miller. Alternate—Rev. J. R. Wooten.

Motion carried that Rev. Ken Walker bring the message at this time. Congregational song, "Victory In Jesus." Rev. Walker's scripture was from James 4:1-10..

Dismissed for five minute recess by Rev. H. W. Breeding.

Congregational song, "Wonderful Peace." Duet by Imagene Gilcrest and Judy Wooten, "Rock of Ages Hide Thou Me." Congregational song, "Amazing Grace." Prayer by Rev. Noland Robinson.

Amarillo presented their play entitled, "Plenty of Time." Invitation song, "Prepare to Meet Thy God." Prayer by Rev. L. C. Pinson.

The Attendance Banner was awarded to Sayre, Okla. The Program Banner was awarded to the Amarillo First Church.

Minutes were read and accepted.

Motion carried that we adjourn.



ORDAINED—MINISTERS AND ADDRESSES

Rev. E. J. Wilson, Pastor, 2205 W. 7th, Odessa, Texas.

Rev. Edd Abbott, Pastor, ~~411 W. Poplar~~, Sayre, Okla.

Rev. James F. Henley, Route No. 3, Sayre, Okla.

Rev. G. G. Garrett, Route No. 4, Vernon, Texas.

Rev. B. R. Nall, Route No. 1, Seymore, Texas.

Rev. R. G. Stevenson, Vernon, Texas.

Rev. J. E. Rogers, Big Springs, Texas.

Rev. A. D. Spangler, 4501 N.E. 8th, Amarillo, Texas.

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Rev. A. F. Pierce, Box 3551 Station A, El Paso, Texas.

Rev. H. W. Breeding, Pastor, Route No. 2, Dimmit, Texas.

Rev. Leilo Estes, 1402 W. Noel, Memphis, Texas.

Rev. W. V. McPhail, Pastor, Amarillo, Texas.

Rev. L. C. Pinson, Pastor, 601 E. Skelly, Hobbs, New Mexico.

Rev. Roy L. Thomas, Pastor, ~~814 W. Chism~~, Artesia, New Mex. *902 W.*

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Rev. Bernice Nichols, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Rev. Buddy Spangler, Amarillo, Texas.

Rev. H. H. Bradshaw, Amarillo, Texas.

Rev. Alford Savage, Gen. Del., Andrews, Texas.

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Bro. W. P. McDonald, Kermit, Texas.

Bro. S. M. Aragon, 907 W. Chism, Artesia, New Mexico.

Bro. Bill Miller, Amarillo, Texas.

UNLICENSED

Bill Pinson, Roswell, New Mexico

ORDAINED DEACONS

Bro. Richard Ratcliff, Odessa, Texas.

Bro. T. B. Gartman, Box 75, Oil Center, New Mexico

Bro. A. M. Holmes, Duncan, Oklahoma.

Bro. O. B. Hickey, Vernon, Texas.

Bro. C. R. Knight, Vernon, Texas.

Bro. W. O. Kennedy, Vernon, Texas.

Bro. J. W. Golden, Crowell, Texas.

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Bro. Roland Shinn, Odessa, Texas.

Bro. Ray Wood, 820 N. Pittsburgh, Odessa, Texas.

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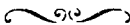
Bro. J. H. Brannun, Amarillo, Texas.

Bro. Walter Baker, Amarillo, Texas.

Bro. B. F. Hardin, Amarillo, Texas.

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Bro. O. L. Perry, Amarillo, Texas.



EXECUTIVE BOARD—MEMBERS

Rev. M. T. Holley, Rev. H. H. Haston, Rev. W. V. McPhail.



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 in this solemn covenant.

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

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences; public worship, and the observance of the ordinances 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 the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful for one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able promote the success 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 educational 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 unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.



ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. The Bible. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. God. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and righteous Governor of the Universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey.

3. Christ. Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.

4. The Holy Spirit. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.

5. The Government of God. God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires.

6 The Sinfulness of Man. Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability sin, and become guilty before God.

7. The Work of Christ. The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. The Terms of Salvation. The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the reserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

9. Election. God determined from the beginning to save

all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect.

10. Freedom of the Will. The human will is free and is self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.

11. Salvation Free. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

12. Preservance. All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

13. Gospel Ordinances. BAPTISM, or the immersion of believers in water, and the LORD'S SUPPER, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel; FEET WASHING, an ordinance teaching humility, of universal obligation, and to be ministered to all true believers.

14. Tithing. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the Apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." (I Cor. 16:2.)

15. The Christian Sabbath. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements for rest, worship, holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God.

16. Resurrection, Judgment and Final Retribution. The scriptures teach the resurrection of all men on the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."



CONSTITUTION

From a long series of experience, we, the Church of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon the profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate union and communion among us, and to preserve and maintain a correspondence with each other, and we do hereby adopt this Constitution for our church government.

1. The Association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the different churches in our union and not exceeding four

from each church, and, on producing letters, shall be entitled to seat.

2. Letters from the different churches shall express their number of members, number received by experience, letter of recommendation, dismissed, excluded, restored, and those who have died since our last Association.

3. The members thus chosen to be denominated the Northwest Brazos Association of Free Will Baptists.

4. This body shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor have ecclesiastical power over churches, reserving the right of withdrawal from any church becoming disorderly. However, the Association shall have the power, for good cause, to revoke the license or credentials of any minister, licensed or ordained by any church within its jurisdiction, and to exclude the delegates from its session when they, or church, become disorderly or fail to keep good report.

5. The Association to have a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, chosen by vote of members present.

6. Newly constituted churches may be admitted to the Association, which shall petition by letter and delegates, and if upon examination, they be found to be orthodox and orderly they may be received into the Association, the body extending the hand of fellowship.

7. No question from any church shall come under the consideration of the Association unless it has first been discussed in its own church.

8. Every oral motion, seconded, shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the members who made it.

9. The Clerk shall assign each church its quota of minutes.

10. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the Association in a book kept for that purpose.

11. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needed, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the close of the Association.

12. No amendment shall be made to this Constitution without first being adopted by three-fourths of the churches in the Association.

13. The Presbytery is composed of all ordained authorities in the Association. Any three members of the Presbytery may ordain a minister to preach the Gospel.

