

The yearly meeting of the Northwest Missouri Association of Free Will Baptists was held July 27, 1973, at Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church, Gower, Missouri.

### Friday evening Services

Services were opened by singing "I Am Resolved", "When We All Get To Heaven".  
Prayer by Brother Milford House.  
Congregational singing "Blessed Assurance" and "At The Cross". Led in prayer by Brother Harry Beatty.  
Greetings by Sister Melba White. Scripture Chapter 22 Verse 30 of Ezekiel.  
Prayer by Brother Vernon Maggart.  
Brother Maggart gave a most inspiring message using the text, Christians God Needs.  
Prayer by Rev. Vernon Maggart.  
Brother Harry Beatty led all in prayer at the Altar. Pianist played "Rescue the Perishing".  
Dismissed by Reverend Vernon Maggart.

### Saturday morning Services

Congregation singing "Rescue The Perishing".  
Prayer by Brother Maggart.  
Association called to order by the Clerk, Sister Harriet Boyer.  
Clerk read the 100th Psalm.  
The Moderator opened the meeting calling on each one of us to have "A Passion and Burden For Lost Souls", using this as the theme of our meeting.

The Church letters were read and received and the delegates seated.

The following officers for the 1973-74 year were elected:

Moderator	- Brother Vernon Maggart
Asst. Moderator	- Sister Melba White
Clerk	- Sister Harriet Boyer
Asst. Clerk	- Appointed by Sister Boyer - Sister Ione Perkins
Treasurer	- Sister Harriet Boyer

The Executive Board report was read and received:

"We, the Executive Board, recommend that Brother Baker be given Card of Recognition until the next Association meets. Signed: Elder John D. McKown, Clerk; Milford House and Curtis Coffey." (Meeting was held April 29, 1973).

Brother Perkins was elected to the Executive Board for another three year term.

The Moderator, Brother Maggart, took charge of the remainder of the meeting.

The following Pulpit Committee was appointed: Sister Thelma Tyer, Chairman, and Brother and Sister Marvin Huffman.

The Association recessed for the Pulpit Committee to meet.

Prayer by Brother Harry Beatty.

The meeting was reconvened.

The following Pulpit Committee Report was read and received:

"We, the Pulpit Committee, ask that Brother Harry Beatty deliver the 11 o'clock message and if the Association decides to have an afternoon message that Sister Melba White deliver this message. Signed Thelma Tyer, Donna Huffman & Marvin Huffman".

Sister White reported that a singing group from Kansas City will be at Freeman Chapel for the Fifth Sunday meeting tomorrow, July 29, 1973.

Motion made and seconded that Moderator appoint Committees. The following committees were appointed:

Credentials: Sister Harriet Boyer, Brother Milford House  
Business Committee: Brother McKown and Sister Thelma Tyler  
Publication, Education & Temperance: Sister Helen Sloan and Sister Virginia Perkins  
Obituary: Sister Eva Gray  
Missions: Sister Melba White and Sister Lillian Boyer

Congregation led in singing "Count Your Blessings" and "My Saviour's Love".

Brother Beatty's message was the General Theme of Salvation. Text Romans 1 Verse 16: For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

All must experience forgiveness of sins - Luke 5 Verse 20: And when he saw their faith he said unto them, "Man, thy sins are forgiven thee". Luke 7 Verse 48 - "Thy sins are forgiven." Verse 49 "Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace."

Motion made and seconded that we have a message this afternoon.

Dismissed in prayer to reconvene at 1 o'clock.

#### 1 o'clock Services

Called to order by Ass't. Moderator  
Congregation singing "Beulah Land".

Sister White read 121st Psalm.  
Prayer by Sister White.

The following Publication, Education & Temperance Report was read and received: "We, the Publication, Education and Temperance Committee recommend that all members support the Gem either as individual subscriptions or by the family plan. We suggest that Free Will Baptist literature be used in our Sunday Schools, that we support the Free Will Baptist College, the Missouri Youth Camp and other fields of our denominational work. We further suggest that the churches consider using the State Cooperative Plan. We also recommend that our members do not use intoxicating beverages or endorse places that sell it. We suggest only wholesome entertainment for ourselves and our children."

The following Business Committee report was read and received:  
"The Business Committee had no business presented to it and we know of none."

The following Obituary Committee report was read and received:  
"The Obituary Committee reports that we lost one of God's children during the past year, Brother Audrey Snyder of the Carlow Church. We would also like to remind you that next year our names might be on this report and since the Lord doesn't give us warning sometimes when he will call us home, let us always keep our lives ready to meet our Saviour."

The following Missions Committee report was read and received:  
"We, your Committee on Missions, request or suggest that we support our Foreign Mission work also our Home Missionary work with our prayers, finances and have their representatives visit our churches whenever possible."

The following Credentials Committee report was read and received:  
"We, your Credentials Committee, report the credentials of Sister Melba White, Brother John McKown and Brother Vernon Maggart have been examined and found to be satisfactory for the year. We recommend their credentials be granted. We recommend that those ministers who have failed to send a report to this Association meeting not be granted their credentials for the next year until their report is received and accepted by the Credentials Committee."

A motion was made and seconded to have the minutes printed by the Clerk for \$15.00.

The Clerk read the Treasurers Report and the minutes of the meeting. Reports accepted.

Motion made and seconded that anyone going to the State Association Meeting in Monett, Missouri, August 20, 21, 22, 23 will be our representative.

Voted to send \$10.00 to the State Association meeting.

Motion made and seconded to go to Freeman Chapel for the 1974 Yearly Meeting.

Brother Harry Beatty gave a report on the Cooperative Plan spending.

Congregation sang Amazing Grace.

Prayer by Brother McKown

Brother Beatty used for his scripture Romans 9 Theme -- Love, We Will Love.

Prayer by Brother Beatty.

Meeting adjourned by prayer - Sister Helen Sloan.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance 7/28/73	\$24.22
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Paid Out:

Printing Minutes	\$15.00
Nat'l Assoc FWB	1.65
StateAssoc.	10.00

Received:

Churches	\$15.00
Ministers	15.00

Balance 7/26/74	\$27.57
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Executive Committee:

Curtis Coffey 1974  
Milford House 1975  
Leslie Whiteley 1976  
Brother McKown 1977  
Jesse Perkins 1978