

The yearly meeting of the Northwest Missouri Association of Free Will Baptist was held April 29-30, 1977 at Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church, Gower, Missouri.

Friday evening services were called to order by the moderator, Rev. Vernon Maggart.

Congregational singing "At the Cross"

Bro. Curtis Coffey led in prayer

Sister Helen Sloan read 23 Psalm

Congregational singing "When We All Get to Heaven"

Bro. Milford House led in prayer

Congregational singing "Heavenly Sunlight"

Special-Rev. Vernon Maggart-"How Great Thou Art"

Rev. Ralph Cook, a former pastor of the church and now living at Willow Springs, Missouri, brought the evening message. Title of Rev. Cook's sermon was "Christians All Look Alike." He used Hebrews 9:27 for a text.

Rev. Maggart announced Saturday morning services would begin at 10:30.

Bro. Verbick gave the benediction.

Saturday morning services were called to order by Rev. Vernon Maggart, moderator.

Congregational singing "Redeemed" and "Throw Out the Life Line"

Bro. Rob Smith led in prayer

Rev. Maggart read Psalm 1

Rev. Maggart turned the services over to Sister Helen Sloan, clerk. Sister Sloan read St. John 1-1:17.

Bro. Curtis Coffey led in prayer

Sister Helen Sloan, clerk, declared the meeting open for business and turned the meeting back to the moderator.

Sister Helen Sloan, clerk, read the letters from the Mt. Zion and Freeman Chapel Churches. The letters were received and the delegates were seated.

Rev. Maggart stated the church year begins April 1 through March 31.

The following officers for the 1977-1978 year were elected and appointed:

Moderator- Rev. Vernon Maggart

Ass. Moderator-Bro. Carl Sloan

Clerk-Sister Helen Sloan

Ass. Clerk to be appointed by clerk

Sister Sarah House was appointed

Treasurer- Sister Helen Sloan

Bro. Milford House moved that the moderator appoint committees. Sister Elberta Sloan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The moderator appointed the following committees.

Credentials- Bro Rob Smith and Bro. Curtis Coffey

Obituary-Sister Nora Butler and Sister Nannie Boyer

Business Committee-Bro. Marks Tyer and Sister Donna Smith

Missions-Sister Sarah House and Sister Thelma Tyer

Publications-Sister Virginia Kerns, Bro. Milford House and Sister Donna Smith.

A pulpit committee was not appointed..

Rev. Maggart was the only minister present so he will bring the morning message.

Recessed for a short time.

Rev. Maggart called meeting back to order
Congregational singing "Beulah Land"
Bro. Milford House led in prayer
Congregational singing "I Am Resolved"
Congregation stood for silent prayer in memory of Rev. Melba White
Sister Thelma Tyer and Rev. Maggart sang a duet "At the Cross"
Rev. Maggart's message was "Since we know Jesus is coming again,
how are we going to act about it?" Rev. Maggart read Acts 1:8-11.
Rev. Maggart dismissed in prayer.

One o'clock services were called to order by moderator.

Congregation singing "He Keeps Me Singing"

Rev. Maggart led in prayer

The Credentials Committee reported that they had examined the credentials of Rev. Vernon Maggart and found them to be in order and recommended his credentials be granted for another year. They also recommended we grant Rev. McKown his credentials. This committee report was accepted.

The Obituary Committee reported that they did not know of anyone.

The following Missions Committee Report was read and received--

We, your Foreign and Home Missions, recommend that our churches secure Missionaries for services whenever possible so we can be better informed about their work. We also recommend we support our missions both at home and abroad through generous offerings and fervent prayers.

Signed: Sarah House and Thelma Tyer

The following Publication, Education and Temperance report was read and received--

We, the Publication, Education and Temperance Committee, recommend that all members continue to support the "Gem", either as individual subscriptions or by the family plan. We suggest that we continue to support the Free Will Baptist College, the Missouri Youth Camp, and other fields of our denominational work. We should continue using the state Cooperative Plan. We 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.

Signed: Donna Smith, Virginia Kerns and Milford House

The Business Committee did not have a report.

Bro. Milford House made a motion the minutes be printed. Motion seconded and carried.

Bro. Milford House made a motion that Bro. John McKown remain on the Executive Board. Motion seconded and carried.

Rev. Maggart announced that Bro. McKown was unable to attend because of health and to remember him in prayer.

Rev. Maggart also announced that he had received a call from Rev. Clarence Burton, promotional secretary, apologizing for being unable to attend the Association and he would try to see us later in the year.

Bro. Milford House made a motion that anyone going to the State Association be seated as delegates from the Northwest Missouri Association.

Sister Ione Perkins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Rev. Vernon Maggart invited the association to Freeman Chapel for the 1978 meeting.

Sister Ione Perkins made a motion that we accept Rev. Maggart's invitation. Seconded and carried.

Motion was made that we send \$10 to the State Association. Seconded and carried.

Bro. Milford House made a motion that we adjourn. Bro. Rob Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Marks Tyer.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Jesse Perkins - - - - 1978

Curtis Coffey - - - - 1979

Milford House - - - - 1980

Gerald Boyer - - - - 1981

Bro. John McKown- - - 1982

Free Will Baptist Church
Letter to the Association

Union Third Fork Free Will Baptist Church (Freeman Chapel,
70 Sherry Weipert - clerk
Easton, Mo 64443

Northwest Mo. Assoc. of Free Will Baptists
Rev. Vernon Maggart (pastor)

5401 University

St. Joseph, Mo.

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Assumed pastorate Sept. 17, 1972

member of Freeman Chapel

~~April 1~~
~~July 1, 1976~~ - ~~May 1, 1977~~
March 31

Membership Information

Baptisms - 7

Members added - 6

Members lost (by letter, death, revision of roll) 0

Members lost to non FWB church - 2

Resident members - 65

Nonresident members - 30

Total present membership 95

Stewardship Information

Church has no budget

"Cooperative Plan" percentage of total budget - 10%

Building Information

Current value of Church property \$35,000

General Information

No social security program or hospital insurance
for pastor

Pastor has fulltime employment apart from Church

One ordained minister

Number of students attending FWB colleges 0
other colleges 2

Church has

Vacation Bible School avg. attendance 40

Prayer meeting avg. attendance 25

Sunday School

Superintendent - Robert Smith

St. Joseph, Mo

total enrolled - 55

Number of classes - 7

Deacons

Curtis Coffey - Easton, Mo

Gerald Bager - Easton, Mo

Delbert Verbuck - St. Joseph, Mo

Robert Wilkerson - Dover, Mo

Marvin Huffman - Helena, Mo

Church Finance

Total receipts \$9560

Expenditures

Pastor's salary \$4125

Staff salary \$ 120

Local expenses \$ 1272

Total \$ 5467

World Missions

Co-op plan - \$849

Foreign Missions - \$2387

Home Missions - \$347

World Vision - \$ 132

\$ 3715

List of Delegates to District Association

Robert and Donna Smith

Donna and Marvin Huffman

Nanme Bager

Virginia Kerns

Alternates - Lillean Bager and Gloria Butler

Representation fee enclosed - \$10.

Mrs. Sherry Weipert 816-6675779
Easton, Mo. 64443

LETTER FROM A QUARTERLY MEETING TO A DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

(Please fill out all blanks as accurately as possible)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of ^{Church} quarterly meeting reporting:
Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist

Moderator's name and address:

Milford House
Gower, Mo. Rt. 1.

Clerk's name and address:

Dora Perkins
Gower, Mo.
Rt. 1. Box 427.

LETTER TO THE

Northwest, Mo. Association
of Free Will Baptists meeting with Mt. Zion
Church. on April 29, 30, 1977

List of delegates:

Sis Sarah House
Sis Thelma Jyer
Bro. Mark Jyer

Alternates

Sis Virginia Perkins
Sis. Velma Perkins
Sis. Ollie Jyer

Period of time covered in this report:

From July 30, 1976 to April 29, 1977
Deacons.

Bro. Carl Sloan - Plattsburg, Mo.

STATISTICS

Bro. Milford House Gower, Mo.

Bro. Leas Perkins Gower, Mo.

Number of churches.....

Church membership.....56

Number of parsonages.....25 resident - 25 non resident

Number of ordained ministers.....none

Number of licensed ministers.....none

Number of ordained deacons.....3

Enrolment of Sunday Schools.....22

Average attendance of Sunday School.....12

Enrolment of Church Training Service.....

Average attendance of Church Training Service.....

Enrolment of Woman's Auxiliaries.....

Average attendance of Woman's Auxiliaries.....

Enrolment of Master's Men.....

Average attendance of Master's Men.....

Mid-week service average attendance.....

FINANCIAL REPORT

Spent for local causes:

Pastor's salaries.....\$50.00

Evangelistic work.....\$

Building and repair.....\$575.00

Literature.....\$50.73

Other.. Incidental...\$307.21

\$

\$

Total spent for local causes.....\$982.94

Spent for outside causes:

Cooperative Plan.....\$ none

Foreign missions.....\$ 80.00

Home missions.....\$

Education.....\$

Orphanage.....\$ 66.00

Superannuation.....\$

Associational projects.....\$

State and national projects.....\$ 75.00

Total spent for outside causes.....\$21 000

Total expenditures.....\$

Value of church property.....\$20,20

Value of parsonage property.....\$

Amount enclosed for fees.....\$16.00