

PROCEEDINGS.

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Called Session



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OKLAHOMA STATE ASSOCIATION



FREE WILL BAPTIST



— HELD AT —

NORTH VIEW CHURCH

Thursday May 22, Friday 23 1919.

Eld. I. W. Yarboll Moderator.

Eld. A. B. Tipton Asst., - -

Eld. A. B. Tipton Clerk.

G. O. Palmer Asst. - -

The next session will convene on Thursday 7
30 p. m. before the first Sunday in Nov. 1919,
With Oak Grove Church, Three miles North of
Red Oak, on the R. F. L. R. Road.

GOSPEL SEARCHER PRINT SHAWNEE OKLA.



FREE WILL BAPTIST
BIBLE COLLEGE

Nashville, Tennessee

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Tulsa, Oklahoma

**Proceedings of the Call Session of the Oklahoma State
Association when Convened with North View
Church Thursday May 22 and Fri-
day May 23, 1919**

The call session of the Oklahoma State Association met with North View Church Thursday May 22 8 o'clock p. m.

The stand was filled by Eld C B Munkus of Per-cell Okla. who delivered a very interesting discourse, from Heb. 2 23. At close of sermon, Eld W C Austin gave an outline of the work to be done by the Association, after which the services was dismissed to meet Friday morning at 8 a. m.

Friday Morning Session

Met Friday morning pursuant to adjournment, Moderator and Clerk being absent, the house was called to order by Dr. Yandell, after praise and prayer by

Dr I W Yandell was elected Moderator protem, and Eld A B Epperson Clerk protem.

A call for representatives from the different associations, which responded as follows:

Hopewell Association: S B Rush and S L Jeter.

First Oklahoma Association: Elders John Bean, Will Bean, W R West, E Pultts, W C Austin, A B Talbert A B Epperson, Luster Reger, G W Wright

Dibble Association: Eld. C B Munkus.

Center Association; Elders I W Yandell, and I N Phillips, Wm. Coggins.

Move was made to permanent the organization by electing Dr. I W Yandell moderator, and Eld A B Talbert assistant. Eld, A B Epperson Clerk, and brother G O Palmer assistant.

As the State Association had not met in regular session for four years; it was moved that we recognize the original organization; and adopt the Article of faith by laws and constitution; which was unanimously adopted. Motion to ajourn to meet at 2 p. m.

Friday afternoon Session

Met Friday 2 p. m. Prayer by _____
Elder W C Austin delivered an address on the subject of a closer organization, and the importance of a more aggressive Christain work: several talks were made by the brethren, after which the Moderator appointed the several committees.

Committee on Resolutions, Elders W C Austin, C B Munkus, and W L Bean.

Committee on Literature Elder John Bean S B Rush and Eld W R West.

Committee on Finance; Eld. A B Talbert. S P Pitts, and Elder E Pultts.

Committee on Credentials: G O Palmer, B G Wilson and J Karr.

Committee on Education; W A Raynor, E F Reger, D W Lee and Eld, L A Reger.

Committee on devine service, Elders A B Epperson, W L Bean and W A Raynor.

A recess of a few minuts was taken for the committees to prepare their reports.

Call for report of Committee on Resolutions. See report.

Call for report of Committee on finance. See report.

Call for report of Committee on requests. See report

Call for report of Committee on Credentials. See report.

Call for report of Committee on Devine Service. See report.

It was agreed that Eld W R West visit Gains Creek Association, the Robert-McGee Association, the Eureka Association, and Grand River Association.

Elder A B Talbert the Canadian Association. W C Austin to go to the Southern Association. Delegates were appointed to visit each Association in the State, but it was left with them to decide where each would go, therefore it was left out of the minute. Therefore we trust that those who are to go will not forget it.

Motion that all collection taken for to pay the expense of those delegates to the different Association, be sent to Eld. A B Epperson, Tecumseh Okla. and he will send it to those who go.

Motion that the clerk prepare the letter that is to be Addressed to the Free will Baptist, and to be published in the New Morning Star, the Free will Baptist Ayden N C. and Gospel Searchlight.

Motion that we condemn the act of the Editors of the New Morning Star, in refusing to publish the announcement of the meeting of our State Association.

Motion that we print three hundred copies of the minutes, and distribute them in the different Associations.

Motion that Eld. W C Austin print and superintend the distribution of the Minutes.

Motion that we hold our next Association Thursday 7 30 a. m. before the 2nd Sunday in Nov. 1919 with Oak Grove Church, Three miles North of Red Oak; 45 miles East of McAlester on the Rock I. R. Road.

Motion that we tender our thanks to the North View Church and community, for their kind hospitality to us during our stay with them; may the benedictions of a loving heavenly Father rest on them, is our prayer

Eld. I W Yandell Moderator.

Eld. A B Talbert Asst. Moderator.

Eld. A B Epperson Clerk

G O Palmer Asst. Clerk.

Report of Committies

We your Committee on Resolution, beg leave to submit the following report. We recommend that some one, or several of our preachers be appointed to write an article on different Bible Subjects, and that those be printed in booklet form, that they may be scattered throughout the country, that the world may know more about the doctrine of the Free Will Baptist.

Res. No. 2—We recommend that some one be appointed to prepare and write a letter to the Free Will Baptist preachers of Oklahoma; urging them to take up the State Association movement with their respective churches, requesting their local associations to become a member of our State Association.

Res No. 3—We further recommend that we appoint a delegate to visit each association in the state, with the message that we are desirous that they meet us in the next State Association.

Res. No. 4—We recommend that a letter be prepared by some one and that it be addressed to the Free Will Baptist of the State of Oklahoma requesting them to co-operate in the state Association work, and that, that letter be published in the New Morning Star, Gospel Searchlight, and The Free Will Baptist of Ayden N C
W C Austin Chairman

We your Committee on Finance submit the following. We are not able to find out the condition of the treasury, and we advise that a collection be taken to raise funds to pay for the publishing of the minutes.

Eld. A. B. Tolbert. Chairman.

We your committee on literature, beg leave to submit the following report. We recommend the use of our Sunday school literature published at Ayden N C to be

used in all of our Sunday schools, where ever it is possible, we also recommend that our people support all literature that stands for Free Will Baptist Doctrine

We also recommend that a committee be appointed to write articles on Free Will Baptist Doctrine to be submitted to this body, and those articles to be adopted by this body and said articles to be published in pamphlet form, to be distribute, by this body.

Eld John Bean Chairman.

The following preachers were appointed to write on the following subjects: Eld C B Munkus.....
Eld John Bean on Feet Washing, Eld Will Bean on.....
Eld A. B. Tolbert on Second work of Grace, Eld A B Epperson on Night Communion, Dr Yandell.....
Eld W C Austin on the design of Baptiam, the clerk failed to get those subjects that were to be written on therefore we only inserted those we could remember. We hope the brethren will not forget their subjects, and that they will discharge their duty. Clerk and Editor.

CONSTITUTION

From long experince, we, the members of the Church of God, (denominated Free Will Baptist) being convinced of the necessity of a combination of association to perpetuate a union and a communion, and to preserve and naintain a correspondence witheach other and for the dissemination of our doctrine and the up-building of humanity the education amd support of the ministry, and general oneness of faith and practice do, invoke the blessings of Almighty God and the suppor of the faithful, ordain this Constitution for our associational Government.

1. This Association shall be composed of members choesn by the different subordinate associations in the State of Oklahoma, not to exceed five delegates each: provided all ordained ministers, in good standing shall be free ex-officio

2. Letters from diferent association shall express their number in fellowship. the number received by experience, recommendation, and have been dismissed, excluded, died, or restored, Also time and place of meeting, and the name of moderator and clerk, and and their postoffices

3. The members when thus conviened shall be denominated The Oklahoma State Association of the Church of God, (denominated Free Will Baptist) and shall have no power to lord it over God's heri tage, nor shall have no ecclesiastic power over the associations composing this body, reserving the right to withdraw from any association becoming disorderly.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator and assistant Moderator, a Recording Clerk and Treasurer

who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

5. Newly constituted association may be admitted into the union which shall petition by letter and by delegate and if upon examination they are found to be orthodox and orderly may be received by vote of the body, and the hand of fellowship extended to them.

6. No question from any association shall come under the consideration of the State Association, unless it has first been considered by the subordinate Association from which it originated.

7. All motions made and seconded shall come under the consideration of this association unless withdrawn by the consent of the ones making the motion and second.

8. This association shall endeavor to furnish the subordinate association with minutes of this Association in proportion to the number of members in each association; the distribution being at the discretion of the association;

9. It shall be the duty of the recording clerk to keep a file of minutes of each association in a book to be kept for that purpose. The corresponding Clerk shall do the corresponding,

10. The association shall have a fund for her support to be supplied by the members of the various churches composing the subordinate associations, each member shall be expected to pay one dollar a year for State Mission, which mission includes the needs of the State to Association; the money to be collected by the pastors of the respective churches composing the subordinate association and to be sent to the Treasurer of the State Association, who shall be responsible for all money received by him; no money to be paid out by

the Treasurer unless so ordered by the Moderator and clerk of the State Association.

11. The Treasurer of the State Association shall be a bonded Treasurman: the bond to not exceed one thousand dollars, nor less than five hundred dollars.

12. All money drawn shall be drawn by vouchers signed by Moderator and Clerk.

13. It shall be the duty of the State Association, to see to the union of the subordinate associations, and if any one fails to represent in the State Association, it shall inquire into the cause.

14. The minutes of the association shall be read and corrected before the Association adjourns.

15. Amendments to this constitution may be made at any regular session of the State Association when the majority present deem it best,

16. Every Article of Faith, Discipline or other confession of religion that militates against the Doctrine of a condition of salvation, general atonement and the observance of the Divine ordinances as they should be, will be considered unorthodox by this body.

17. Every form of church government that infringes on an ecclesiastical democracy, shall be considered unorthodox.





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