

**The**  
**Oklahoma State Association**  
**of**  
**Free Will Baptists**

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**Proceedings of the**  
**35th Annual Session**

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**Convened at**  
**Ada Church**  
**Ada, Oklahoma**

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**OKLAHOMA STATE ASSOCIATION**  
**OF**  
**FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

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**HELD WITH**

Ada Church, Ada, Oklahoma  
October 19 - 21, 1943

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**OFFICERS**

Moderator	Eld. T. H. Dixon	Checotah, Okla.
Ass't. Mod.	Eld. Melvin Bingham	Tulsa, Okla.
Clerk	Winnie McClain	Shawnee, Okla.
Ass't. Clerk	Eld. Cleo Pursell	Stonewall, Okla.

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The next annual session of this Association will be held with the Wewoka Church, Wewoka, Oklahoma. The State Woman's Auxiliary Convention convenes Monday night and the Association convenes Tuesday night before the Fourth Sunday in October, 1944.

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Free Will Baptist Gem, 211 Bond St., Monett, Missouri

## ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

Southeastern .... Moderator, Eld. C. A. Sledge, Valliant, Okla.  
First Okla. .. Mod., Eld. W. E. Dearmore, B. 283, Wanette, Okla.  
Canadian .. Moderator, Eld. Wm. Stevenson, Henryetta, Okla.  
Roberts McGee, Moderator, Eld. O. D. Wickham, Poteau, Okla.  
Grand River ..... Moderator, Eld. Willard Day  
First Mission ..... Moderator, Eld. C. D. Benton  
Center ..... Moderator, Eld. F. M. Wood, Ada, Okla.  
Dibble .... Moderator, Eld. Clay Richey, Rt. 4, Blanchard, Okla.  
Gaines Creek .. Moderator, Eld. W. D. Higgins, Crowder, Okla.  
Eureka ..... Moderator, Eld. L. R. Crumb

## REGISTRATION

DRUMRIGHT — Norma Rose Robinson, Doris Stanley, Fanchone De Jarnette, Wanda Keller, Orpha Pearl Conley, Norma Horne, Austin De Jarnette, Charles Smith, Bob Conley, Gene Hill, Frank Seals, Morris Moore.

SHAWNEE — Eula Mae Ewing.

LIBERTY — Gene Lane, Louise Worley.

PADEN — J. D. Day, Nolen Robinson, Glen Roy Mitchell, Joyce Wallis, Betty Hessman, Elfrieda Fipps.

BURRIS CITY — Dorothy Layne, Oleatha Coffee, Vera Shannon, Viola Echols, Maxine Christian, Jimmy Parnell.

TULSA — Betty Miller, Marie Hamilton.

CUSHING — Norma Jean Sheridan, Jackie Sheridan, Elva Tuttle, Christine Turnbow, Twyla Holderread, Paddie Reese.

BRISTOW — Norma Faye Hutson, J. C. Hutson, Marguerite Woodward, Wanda Maye Hutson.

OKLAHOMA CITY — Wanda Ray, Erma Lee Blackburn, Dolores Baird, Wanda Detwiler, Jerry Martin, Louis Houts, Ray Martin, Jack Shinn, Lynn Wood, Marie Burnsed.

WEWOKA — Ruth Thomas, Kathryn Shipley, Wanda Cook, Donna Tipton, Dortha De Hort, Harold Ray Shipley, Waymond Floyd.

## PROCEEDINGS

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Proceedings of the Thirty-fifth Annual Session of the Oklahoma State Association of Free Will Baptists held with the Ada Church, Ada, Okla. October 19-21, 1943.

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### TUESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Eld. Bingham, moderator, called the house to order.

The singing was led by Eld. E. A. O'Connell.

Prayer by Eld. C. A. Sledge and Eld. H. E. Staires.

Eld. Melvin Bingham led the testimony service.

Eld. E. A. O'Donnell arranged a quartett which sang, "Come to Jesus" and "I Am Glad That Jesus Came."

Eld. W. H. Carter brought the introductory message. His text was Ezekiel 37:3.

Eld. Lizzie McAdams gave a brief talk as she could not be present for the remainder of the session.

Prayer by Eld. Cecil McKenize.

Dismissed by Eld. W. E. Dearmore.

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### WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator. Eld. Melvin Bingham.

Singing was led by Eld. W. E. Wilson.

Eld. George McClain read 2 Thessalonians 3 for the devotional.

Prayer by Eld. F. C. Zinn.

The moderator called for the letters from the subordinate associations.

Letters were read, accepted and delegates seated from the following associations: Southeastern, First Oklahoma, Canadian, Roberts McGee, Grand River, First Mission, and Center.

A song was sung and the right hand of Christian fellowship was given the delegates.

Prayer by Eld. E. E. Morris.

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### Election of Officers

Moderator, Eld. T. H. Dixon ..... Checotah,, Okla.  
Ass't. Mod., Eld. Melvin Bingham, 833 N. Utica, Tulsa, Okla.  
Clerk, Winnie McClain .. 1047 E. Chandler, Shawnee, Okla.  
Ass't. Clerk, Eld. Cleo Pursell .... Route 1, Stonewall, Okla.  
Statistician, Eld. Hattie Newman, Route 2, Jennings, Okla.

Visiting brethren; Elders F. C. Zinn of Missouri, R. L. Crawford of Tennessee, and Ben Pixley of Arkansas were invited to sit in council.

Motion carried that Committee on Committees be elected. The committee was Elders H. E. Staires, W. E. Dearmore, and W. H. Carter.

Rules of order were read.

Committee on Divine Service was appointed as follows: Eld. Cecil McKenzie, Brothers C. C. Chism, J. M. Voss, Felix Gullick, and A. E. Lawhorn.

Eld. F. C. Zinn gave a talk on the Free Will Baptist Protective and Benevolent Superannuation Service.

Committee on Divine Service reported that Eld. F. C. Zinn would preach at the eleven o'clock service, and Eld. Paul Pursell followed by Eld. Ben Pixley at the night service.

Adjourned until afternoon session.

Dismissed by Eld. W. E. Dearmore.

#### WEDNESDAY ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Opened with singing led by Eld. E. A. O'Donnell.

Prayer by Eld. B. F. Rogers.

Eld. F. C. Zinn brought the message. His subject was, "Ambassadors for Christ." Text, 2 Corinthians 5:20.

Dismissed by Eld. T. H. Dixon.

#### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Opened with singing led by Eld. B. F. Rogers.

Eld. Melvin Bingham read Psalms 124:1-8 for the devotional.

Prayer by Eld. R. L. Crawford.

Letters from Dibble and Gaines Creek Associations were read, accepted, and delegates seated.

The Committee on Committees appointed the following committees:

Resolution — J. Bynum, George McClain, H. E. Staires, J. A. Davidson, and E. E. Morris.

Business — J. H. West, C. A. Sledge, B. J. Rogers, W. H. Carter, and Earlin Haskins.

Publication — Paul Pursell, E. A. O'Donnell, W. E. Dearmore, R. G. Lane, and L. V. Wood.

Education — Melvin Bingham, J. C. Byrne, Clay Richey, J. F. Hooper, and L. E. Ward.

Temperance — Pete Connor, C. C. Wilson, I. N. Pate, Scott Jones, and H. H. Parsons.

Mission — Hattie Newman, Cleo Pursell, Bessie West, and Imogene Browing.

Obituary — Sadie Fincher, Mary Rogers, Ethel Armstrong, and Ralph Groves.

Finance — B. J. Rogers, E. A. O'Donnell, Paul Pursell, Luther Hudson, and W. E. Wilson.

Sunday School — C. C. Chism, Hattie Newman, and L. E. Staggs.

Music — E. A. O'Donnell, B. F. Rogers, and E. E. Morris.

League — Sadie Fincher, Hattie Newman, and Mary Rogers.

Report of State Executive Board was read and accepted.

Eld. J. Bynum was elected on the executive board.

Eld. E. E. Morris' resignation on the board was accepted. Eld. B. F. Rogers was elected to take his place.

The board is as follows: H. E. Staires (1 year), Jack Hopkins (2 years), B. F. Rogers (3 years), J. H. West (4 years), and J. Bynum (5 years).

Reports of committees on education, Sunday school, temperance, and publication were read and accepted.

Resolution No. 1 was read and accepted.

Adjourned until Thursday morning session.

A song was sung and the congregation was dismissed by Eld. Wm. Stevenson.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Opened with singing led by E. E. Morris and E. A. O'Donnell.

Eld. Hattie Newman led the testimony service.

Prayer by Eld. W. E. Dearmore.

An offering of \$36.96 was given the church to help with the expense of the association.

Eld. Paul Pursell brought the message using for his text, Zechariah 13:1. Eld. Ben Pixley concluded the service. Two souls were saved.

Dismissed by Eld. J. Bynum.

### THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

Opened with singing led by Eld. W. E. Wilson.

Eld. T. H. Dixon read Psalms 116 for the devotional.  
Prayer by Eld. T. H. Dixon.

Letter from Old Eureka Association was read, accepted and delegates seated.

Motion carried that the request made by Eld. B. F. Rogers that his time at the eleven o'clock hour be given to Eld. R. B. Crawford.

Reports of the statistician, league committee, and clerk were read and accepted.

Eld. E. A. O'Donnell was elected to preach the introductory sermon at the next association and Eld. Melvin Bingham as the alternate.

The next association was placed at the Wewoka church.  
Eld. Hattie Newman was elected statistician.

Report of committee on missions was read and accepted.

Motion carried that a Home Mission Field Worker be elected and paid with funds left in State Evangelist fund.

Adjourned until afternoon session.

Dismissed by Eld. H. E. Staires.

#### THURSDAY ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Opened with singing led by Eld. E. A. O'Donnell.  
Prayer by Eld. Melvin Bingham.

Eld. R. B. Crawford, National Executive Secretary, brought the message on the subject "What is God Doing?"

Dismissed by Eld. T. H. Dixon.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Opened with singing led by Eld. E. A. O'Donnell.

Eld. T. H. Dixon read 1 Cor. 12 for the devotional.

Eld. E. A. O'Donnell was elected Home Mission Field Worker.

Motion carried that each church pay one dollar (\$1.00) per month to the state executive board clerk, Eld. J. H. West, Box 1402, Wewoka, Okla., for the support of the field worker.

Motion carried that the state executive board set the salary of the field worker.

Committee on Divine Service reported that Eld. J.

Bynum followed by Eld. E. A. O'Donnell would preach at the night service.

Reports of the music and obituary committees were read and accepted.

State league rally minutes were read and accepted to be placed in minutes. State Women's Auxiliary Convention minutes were read and accepted to be placed in the minutes.

Motion carried that Resolution No. 4 of 1941 minutes be recorded in minutes each year until decided otherwise.

Motion carried that business committee present a plan to the body for building an orphanage.

The following were elected delegates to the National Association to be held at Flat River, Missouri: Bessie West, Ethel Armstrong, Opal Bingham, Mary Rogers, Winnie McClain, Effie O'Donnell, Glenna Staires, C. C. Chism, P. N. Voss, and R. B. Tipton.

The league was given the time from two to four o'clock for reports from their rally.

Report of business committee was read and accepted.

Sister Ethel Armstrong, 117 N. Ohio, Drumright, Okla., was elected treasurer for the orphanage fund. Motion carried that she be bonded.

An offering of twenty dollars (\$20.00) for minute fund was given.

Resolutions Nos. 2 and 3 were read and accepted.

Minutes were read and approved.

Motion carried that the committee on Divine Service select the preacher to bring the memorial message at the next association.

Adjourned until next session on Tuesday night before the fourth Sunday in October, 1944.

After singing " 'Tis the Old Time Religion," dismissed with prayer.

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**MINUTES OF THE THIRD ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE  
WOMAN'S STATE AUXILIARY CONVENTION  
OCTOBER 18-19, 1943**

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The third annual session of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Oklahoma convened with the Ada Church, Ada, Oklahoma, October 18-19, 1943.



## MONDAY NIGHT

The meeting opened with singing led by Eld. E. A. O'Donnell.

Prayers by Elders Paul Pursell and B. F. Rogers.

Eld. Cleo Pursell, state president, took charge of the meeting.

Sister Glenna Staires led the testimony service.

Eld. E. A. O'Donnell arranged a quartett which sang, "They Have Gone Away" and "Press Along Weary Pilgrim."

Eld. Hattie Newman brought the message, using Psalms 27 for the scripture reading. Her subject was "The Great Commission Our Mission" also "Giving Him Our Best in the Dark Hour." Text, Gen. 43:11.

Dismissed with prayer.

## TUESDAY MORNING

The meeting opened with singing led by Eld. J. H. West.

After which Eld. Cleo Pursell took charge. She read Matt. 25:14-31 for the devotional.

Prayer by Sister Exie Haskins.

State officers and delegates had a meeting to determine if a quorum was present.

A quorum was found present.

A letter from Center Association district convention was read.

A song was sung and delegates were given the right hand of Christian fellowship.

Sister Valeta Hileman gave the welcome address.

Sister Winnie McClain gave the response as Sister Gladys Shinn could not be present.

Motion carried that state officers be elected.

### Election of Officers

President ..... Cleo Pursell, Route 1, Stonewall, Okla.  
First Vice Pres. .. Valeta Hileman, 714 W. 17th St., Ada, Okla.  
Second Vice Pres. .... Bessie West, Box 1409, Wewoka, Okla.  
Third Vice Pres. .. Hattie Newman, Route 2, Jennings, Okla.  
Fourth Vice Pres. .. Glenna Staires, 328 S.E. 21st St., Okla. City  
Fifth Vice Pres. .... Effie O'Donnell, McLoud, Okla.  
Rec. Sec. .. Winnie McLain, 1047 E. Chandler, Shawnee, Okla.  
Cor. Sec. .. Ethel Armstrong, 117 N. Ohio St., Drumright, Okla.

Treas. . . Mary Rogers, 139 E. Drumright St., Drumright, Okla.  
Field Worker . . . Sadie Fincher, Box 244, Drumright, Okla.

Adjourned until 1:30 P.M.

Dismissed by Eld. E. A. O'Donnell.

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### ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Opened with singing led by Sister Edna Dehart.

Eld. E. A. O'Donnell arranged a quartett which sang  
"A Home up in Heaven."

Prayer by Eld. Fred Hooper.

The quartett sang "Jesus Will Welcome Me There."

Eld. B. F. Rogers brought the message. His subject  
was, "Obedience to the Call—The Great Commission"  
as found in 1 Samuel 15:22.

Dismissed by Bro. E. L. Floyd.

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### TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Opened with singing led by Eld. E. A. O'Donnell.

Prayer by Eld. Melvin Bingham.

Delegates were appointed by officers of subordinate  
associations to take the place of delegates who were  
absent.

The executive committee decided that all reports from  
district conventions would be sent to the state officers  
before state convention then from state convention to  
national convention following state convention.

Report of Eld. Hattie Newman, Field Worker, was  
read and accepted.

An oral report by Eld. Cleo Pursell, state president,  
was given.

Report of Sister Mary Rogers, state treasurer, was  
given.

Eld. Lizzie McAdams, National Field Worker, gave a  
talk on the National Auxiliary Work.

Eld. Melvin Bingham introduced Eld. R. B. Crawford,  
National Secretary, who gave a talk on the National  
Work.

Motion carried that the Woman's Auxiliary recom-  
mend that the state association discuss the building of  
an orphanage in Oklahoma.

Delegates elected to the National Auxiliary Conven-  
tion to be held at Flat River, Missouri, were as follows:  
Sisters Opal Bingham, Mary Rogers, Glenna Staires, Effie

O'Donnell, Bessie West, Winnie McClain, W. H. Carter, Ethel Armstrong, Era McKenzie, and Bessie Lawhorn.

Motion carried that the Auxiliary pay \$5.00 to state for printing of minutes.

Eld. Paul Pursell was elected to preach the introductory message at the next session and Eld. J. H. West was the alternate.

The Wewoka Auxiliary presented the play "Unto the Least of These," which was enjoyed by all.

An offering of \$13.47 was given.

Prayer by Eld. W. E. Dearmore.

Minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned until next session.

Dismissed by Eld. H. E. Staires.

#### **Field Worker's Report**

My report as Field Worker is as follows: I have given five talks on Woman's Auxiliary work. Center Association has organized a district convention. Three local societies have been organized which are Shawnee, Ada, and Wewoka. Our work has been growing since last year and for this we thank God.

Hattie Newman, field worker.

### **MINUTES OF STATE LEAGUE RALLY THURSDAY MORNING**

The State Young Peoples' League Rally, which convened Thursday, June 24, 1943, at the Camp Grounds of the Mission Association, was called to order by the Vice President, Brother Paul Pursell. Brother George McClain led in prayer and Sister Wanda Lee Rogers took charge of the devotional service. Sister Cleo Pursell brought the eleven o'clock message, using as her text, Ecclesiastes 12:1, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth." Dismissed with an altar service in which there was one conversion. Prayer by Sister Elva Tuttle.

#### **THURSDAY EVENING**

A class song, "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood," was led by Sister Norma Hutson. The Center Association's letter was read and accepted, and reports were given by different members of the Canadian, Mission.

and First Oklahoma Associations, and were accepted by the body.

### Election of Officers

Sponsor ..... Brother Harry Staires  
President ..... Brother Paul Pursell  
Vice President ..... Sister Norma Jeanne Sheridan  
Recording Secretary ..... Sister Marie Burnsed  
Corresponding Secretary ..... Sister Wanda Lee Rogers  
Treasurer ..... Brother Austin De Jarnett

The treasurer's report was read and accepted. There was \$2.42 in the treasury.

Motion carried that a Divine Service Committee be appointed by the president.

The committee is as follows: Bro. Charles Smith, Mission Ass'n., chairman; Sister Joyce Wallace, Canadian Ass'n.; Bro. Louis Houts, First Oklahoma Ass'n.; Sister Maxine Christian, Center Ass'n.; Sister Norma Hutson, Mission Ass'n.

The report of the committee as to who would preach the night service was: Sister Elva Tuttle and Bro. Marvin Dalton.

The following Business Committee was elected: Sister Hattie Newman, chairman, Sister Eula Mae Ewing. Bro. Jimmie Purnell, Sister Dolorēs Baird, Sister Paddie Reece.

Motion carried that the State Rally be held at the Camp Grounds again next year on Thursday, before the 4th Sunday in June. Brother Everett Hillard is to bring the introductory message; Brother Doss, alternate.

The following were selected to serve on the State Board: Bro. Everett Hillard, Mission Ass'n., Route 1, Sapulpa, Okla.; Bro. Clyde Argo, First Oklahoma Ass'n., Oklahoma City, Okla.; Sister Maxine Christian, Center Ass'n., Box 836, Harden City, Okla.; Bro. Hembrey. Grand River Ass'n.; Bro. Nolen Robinson, Canadian Ass'n.

Motion carried that the Board's resolution, "that the different Associations tithe to the State League Rally," be accepted. A suggestion that an appropriation be made for the material, postage, etc., that is necessary for the corresponding secretary's work, was made by the Board and accepted by the Body.

Bro. Marvin Dalton rendered a solo, "Ready." Minutes of the eleven o'clock service were read and accepted. Reported that Sister Hattie Newman and Bro. Melvin Bingham were to preach Friday morning. Motion carried to adjourn until 9:00 Friday morning. Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Charles Smith.

#### THURSDAY NIGHT

Opened with singing "Paradise Valley." Brother Everett Brown took charge of the devotional service. A special song "Walk with the Lord," was rendered by the Drumright quartett, Bro. Charles Smith, Bro. Austin De Jarnett, Bro. Eugene Hill, and Sister Fanchone De Jarnett. Sister Elva Tuttle's message, "Believing," was taken from Numbers 14. Bro. Marvin Dalton, who is now in service, brought a very inspiring message, "Ask For the Old Paths," from Jeremiah 6:16. Dismissed with prayer by Sister Hattie Newman.

#### FRIDAY MORNING

Bro. Charles Smith led singing, "I Would Not be Denied." Prayer by Sister Dorothy Lane. Devotional, Psalms 143, read by Bro. Louis Houts. Minutes of Thursday afternoon were read and accepted. Bro. Rogers and Bro. Bingham were elected sponsors over the boys; Sister Hattie Newman and Sister Cleo Purcell over the girls. Report of registration at the Rally: girls 40, boys 16. Total 56.

Motion carried that report of corresponding secretary be accepted.

Motion carried to elect five delegates to take a letter from the Rally to the State Association. The following were elected: Sister Norma Jean Sheridan, Bro. Ray Martin, Sister Marie Burnsed, Bro. Charles Smith, Sister Wanda Lee Rogers.

Motion carried to adjourn. Dismissed by Sister Purcell.

There was an altar service during the noon hour in which there was one conversion.

#### FRIDAY ELEVEN O'CLOCK SERVICE

Singing led by Bro. Charles Smith. Prayer by Sister Purcell. Sister Newman's message was on the word.

"Must." Luke 2:49, "How is it that ye sought me? Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" Bro. Bingham's message, "I cannot speak for I am a child." Dismissed by Bro. West.

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### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Bro. Charles Smith led the singing. Suggested and accepted that each League Rally give 50c toward the electric bill of the Grounds during the Rally. Motion carried that we pay the State Clerk \$2.50 for the printing of our minutes in the Minutes of the State Association. Sister Norma Jeanne Sheridan's report as "outgoing" Corresponding Secretary was accepted. A reading, "The Deserted Church" was given by Sister Norma Jeanne Sheridan. A poem, "The Man Who Has Won", was read by Sister Marie Burnsed. Minutes of Thursday night, Friday morning and Friday afternoon were read and accepted.

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### COMMITTEE REPORTS

RESOLUTIONS—No. 1. Be it Resolved, That each subordinate association give the name and address of its moderator in the statistical report to the State Association.

No. 2. Be it Resolved, That we express our heartfelt thanks to the church, its pastor and family, and the Center Association for their hospitality shown this association.

No. 3. Be it Resolved, That we pay our clerk \$10.00 and our moderator \$5.00 for their services.

No. 4. (Copied from 1941 minute) Be it Resolved, That each association pay \$10.00 to the State Association each year for minutes and other expenses.

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BUSINESS—We, the Business Committee, recommend that funds be raised by each church for a state orphanage.

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PUBLICATION—We, your Committee, recommend that 1,000 minutes be printed, and that the clerk arrange for printing where she deems best. We further recommend that the clerk distribute minutes to each association to the best of her information.

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EDUCATION—We recommend that last year's educational

report be retained. Old report — We recommend that a Bible school be maintained in each subordinate association and urge our ministers to attend said school. We further recommend that God's people devote more time to the study of God's word.

We also recommend and urge our ministers and pastors of the churches in each association to endeavor to stimulate an interest in our National Education Program.

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**TEMPERANCE** — We, your Committee, submit the following: We believe that a majority of crimes are caused by sale and use of intoxicating drinks whether sold lawfully or unlawfully. We believe it is detrimental to the cause of Christianity, morality and decency. We further recommend that we adhere to our church covenant regarding the use and sale of intoxicating beverages. Also that our ministers should preach at least one sermon quarterly on temperance.

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**MISSION** — We, your Committee, beg to submit as follows: Whereas, as a denomination, our vision toward Foreign Missions has broadened in recent years, we recommend that we give our strong support to our National Foreign Mission Program.

We further recommend that we place a Home Mission worker on the field.

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**OBITUARY** — We, your Committee, wish to report that God in His infinite wisdom has called from our midst the following: 12 from First Mission, 2 from First Oklahoma, 10 from Center, 3 from the Canadian, 4 from Gaines Creek, 3 from Dibble, and 7 from Roberts McGee Associations.

We express our deepest sympathy to the bereaved for we believe our loss is heaven's gain.

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**FINANCE** — We, your Committee, report as follows: Amount paid in, Southeastern, \$10.00; First Oklahoma, \$10.00; Canadian, \$10.00; Roberts McGee, \$5.00; Grand River, \$10.00; First Mission, \$10.00; Center, \$10.00; Dibble, \$8.00; Gaines Creek, \$10.00; Eureka, \$5.00; League, \$2.50; Woman's Auxiliary, \$5.00; and an offering of \$20.00, making a total of \$115.50.

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL** — We, your Committee, report as follows: We see the need of more Sunday schools and recommend that each use Free Will Baptist literature and that all teachers

and officers be Free Will Baptists. We suggest that our Sunday schools have rallies that they might grow and prosper and see lost souls saved. We recommend that each member work for a better attendance in our Sunday schools.

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**MUSIC**—We recommend that a choir director be appointed by the moderator at each session of the association who will have charge of the choir in each service. We further recommend that we work together to encourage congregational singing in all our church services.

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**LEAGUE**—We, your Committee, report as follows: We find our leagues are progressing and we feel they need our encouragement and associational backing as they are doing such a great work. We recommend that they be given as much as one hour in the association for their delegates from their state rally to give their reports and that the association set the day and the hour.

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**STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD**—We, the State Executive Board, beg to report as follows: There has been no grievances in the state this year as far as we know. Most of our work has been trying to secure an evangelist, as Eld. F. A. McCage only served for three weeks. In this branch of the work it seems that we have failed. We held five board meetings.

Individual reports are as follows: E. E. Morris traveled 140 miles; H. E. Staires traveled 855 miles, paid out for phone calls \$1.50; J. Bynum traveled 1,121 miles, paid out for traveling expense \$21.38; John H. West traveled 955 miles, paid out for phone calls and postage \$13.87; Jack Hopkins, no report; making a total of 3,071 miles traveled and \$36.75 paid out.

Received from different associations \$229.00. Paid out for evangelist \$56.25. Balance \$172.75.

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**CLERK'S REPORT**—\$100.59 was paid in for minutes plus a balance of \$3.76 made a total of \$104.35. \$36.00 was paid out for printing of minutes, \$10.00 for clerk's service, \$5.00 for moderator, \$20.00 for National Minutes, \$3.96 for telegrams, and \$6.02 for paper, postage, and mailing expense.

Now in treasury \$23.37.

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**STATISTICIAN**—We have 15 subordinate associations, 149 churches, 10,188 members, 196 ministers and \$92,450.00 property valuation.



This report is incomplete as some associations were not represented and some did not give the statistics.

## ENROLLMENT

### Ministers

Sadie E. Fincher .....	Box 244, Drumright, Okla.
Hattie Newman .....	Route 2, Jennings, Okla.
W. E. Wilson .....	Box 103, Holdenville, Okla.
Geo. W. McClain .....	1047 E. Chandler, Shawnee, Okla.
T. H. Dixon .....	Checotah, Okla.
C. C. Wilson .....	1227½ Utica, Tulsa, Okla.
J. A. Davidson .....	Box 337, Antlers, Okla.
J. C. Byrne .....	Route 1, Idabel, Okla.
C. A. Sledge .....	Valliant, Okla.
W. H. Carter .....	735 E. 4, Bristow, Okla.
Paul Pursell .....	Route 1, Stonewall, Okla.
Cleo Pursell .....	Route 1, Stonewall, Okla.
R. G. Lane .....	604 S. Main, Bristow, Okla.
E. A. O'Donnell .....	McLoud, Okla.
Harry Staires .....	328 S.E. 21, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Melvin Bingham .....	833 N. Utica, Tulsa, Okla.
Bert F. Rogers .....	139 E. Drumright, Drumright, Okla.
F. C. Zinn .....	201 W. College, Fredericktown, Mo.
W. E. Dearmore .....	Wanette, Okla.
J. F. Hooper .....	Stratford, Okla.
L. E. Ward .....	Blanchard, Okla.
I. N. Pate .....	Antlers, Okla.
Clay Richey .....	Route 2, Blanchard, Okla.
Earlin Haskins .....	Route 2, Ada, Okla.
H. H. Parsons .....	Route 2, Blanchard, Okla.
Marion L. Caton .....	Route 3, Ada, Okla.
Scott W. Jones .....	Route 4, Box 198, Ada, Okla.
Jess M. Henson .....	Haywood, Okla.
Cecil McKenzie .....	420 S. Ash, Ada, Okla.
John H. West .....	Box 1402, Wewoka, Okla.
F. A. McCage .....	Route 1, McLoud, Okla.
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R. L. Crawford .....	Nashville, Tenn.
Ben Pixley .....	

L. V. Wood ..... Sulphur, Okla.  
B. H. Peavyhouse ..... Stigler, Okla.

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C. L. Hudson ..... Blanchard, Okla.  
C. C. Chism ..... Non, Okla.  
J. M. Voss ..... Checotah, Okla.  
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Esper Easton ..... Cameron, Okla.  
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### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory sermon.
2. House called to order by the moderator.
3. Letters called for, read and received.
4. Right hand of fellowship and seating of delegates.
5. Election of officers.
6. Reading of Rules of Order.
7. Petitionary letters called for.
8. Invite visiting brethren to seats in council.
9. Appointment of committees.
10. Unfinished business.
11. New business.
12. Report of committees.
13. Miscellaneous business.

## STATISTICAL REPORT

Associations .....	Number of Members .....	Number of Churches .....	Number of Ministers .....	Value of Property .....	Paid Pastors .....	Paid Evangelists .....
Southeastern .....	230	7	1	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,138.75	\$ 247.80
First Oklahoma .....	706	8	1	.....	.....	.....
Canadian .....	554	9	16	.....	.....	.....
Roberts McGee .....	556	12	14	.....	.....	.....
Grand River .....	847	16	1	.....	.....	.....
First Mission .....	2,412	28	84	65,750	11,663.21	1,330.37
Center .....	979	16	13	.....	.....	.....
Dibble .....	661	1	1	5,000	567.95	274.00
Gaines Creek .....	367	7	20	2,000	325.00	254.41
Eureka .....	2,000	29	40	10,000	.....	.....

First Mission has 28 Sunday schools, 25 Leagues, and 17 Woman's Auxiliaries. Has paid out for Home Missions \$513.31, for Foreign Mission \$303.28.

Associations not reporting were: Washita, Eastern, Southern, Hopewell, and Hopewell No.2.

## FREE WILL BAPTIST ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **THE BIBLE.**— The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our 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 the 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 Savior and Lord.

4. **THE HOLY SPIRIT.**—The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God. He is the Reprover, Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men.

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 of grace, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of man requires.

6. **THE SINFULNESS OF MAN.**—Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherited 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 the hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Savior 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 WILL.**—The human will is free and self controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit and live, 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. **PERSEVERANCE.**—All believers in Christ, who through grace, persevere in holiness to the end of life, have the 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 administered to all true believers.

14. **TITHING.** God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament: Jesus Christ indorsed 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" 1 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, JUDGEMENT, AND FINAL RETRIBUTION.— The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at 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 shall "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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## RULES OF ORDER

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1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer by the Moderator or whomsoever he may request.

2. Ministers and deacons present are invited to seats, allowed to take part in debates on all subjects, and to vote.

3. Those who speak shall arise and address the Moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.

4. No motion shall be discussed without a second.

5. When a motion has made and seconded, and a member opposes its discussion, the Moderator shall put the question "Shall it be discussed?" If negative, the question shall be dismissed.

6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member, and the vote taken separately.

7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the Moderator.

9. All questions shall be decided by a majority vote of all members present.

10. No member shall absent himself without special leave of the Moderator.

11. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected if necessary before the close of the Association.

12. At all future sessions of the Association, arrangements shall be made to insure two sermons, or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto, during each day of the session, and the chair shall announce just before adjournment who shall

13. These Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after organization of the Association.

14. Alternations may be made in these rules at any regular session of the Association.

