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The next session of the State Association will be held at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Norman, Oklahoma, on Tuesday night, before the Fourth Sunday in October. (October 20-22, 1953)

OFFICERS



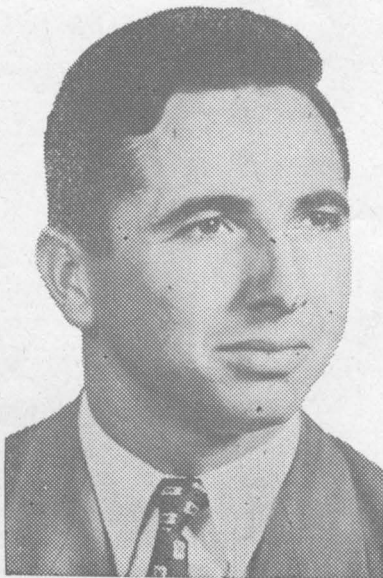
Rev. Earl Jensen, Moderator
331 N. B St., McAlester, Okla.



Rev. Clay Richey, Ass't. Moderator
Box 97, Blanchard, Okla.



Rev. Weldon Wood, Clerk
420 South Ash, Ada, Okla.



Rev. Wade Jernigan, Ass't. Clerk
Box 67, Norman, Okla.



Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, Executive Secretary
Box 38, Sulphur, Oklahoma

BOARDS

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. W. E. Wilson	5 years
Box 103, Holdenville, Oklahoma	
Mr. R. D. Norwood	4 years
Sulphur, Oklahoma	
Rev. Weldon Wood, Clerk	3 years
420 S. Ash, Ada, Oklahoma	
Rev. Clay Richey, Chairman	2 years
Box 97, Blanchard, Oklahoma	
Rev. E. E. Morris	1 year
2709 S. W. 33rd, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	
Rev. W. S. Mooneyham	Executive Secretary
Box 38, Sulphur, Oklahoma	

LEAGUE BOARD

Rev. Jack Dodson, Duncan, Okla.	5 years (Clerk)
Rev. Johnnie Postlewaite, Turley, Okla.	4 years
Rev. Elvis Priest, Holdenville, Okla.	3 years
Rev. Harry Staires, Oilton, Okla.	2 years
Rev. Bill Ketchum, Haskell, Okla.	1 year (Chairman)

MISSION BOARD

Rev. E. M. Kennedy, 818 D St., N.W., Ardmore	5 years
Rev. Dennis O'Donnell, Cromwell, Okla.	4 years
Rev. E. S. Sunday, Box 241, Healdton, Okla.	3 years
Rev. Earl Jensen, McAlester, Okla.	2 years
Rev. Wade Jernigan, Norman, Okla.	1 year

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Dr. I. W. Yandell, Oklahoma City	5 years
Rev. Lonnie DeVault, Shawnee, Okla.	4 years
Rev. W. A. Hearn, Sulphur, Okla.	3 years
Mrs. Cleo Pursell, Bristow, Okla.	2 years
Rev. W. V. McPhail, Cushing, Okla.	1 year

GENERAL BOARD

Bro. Rich Bond	Hopewell No. 1 Association
Mrs. Mildred Cash	First Oklahoma Association
Rev. W. E. Wilson	Canadian Association
Rev. W. F. Lee	Dibble Association
Rev. Eugene Riddle	Grand River Association
Rev. Frank Wharton	Southeastern Association
Bro. N. C. Ballew	Hopewell No. 2 Association
Rev. L. C. Crowder	Old Eureka Association
Rev. J. E. Yandell	Roberts McGee Association
Rev. Lonnie Hall	First Mission Association
Rev. Harry Lee	Gaines Creek Association

This Board will meet with the executive board on Monday preceding the State Association, October 19, 1953.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, Sulphur, Oklahoma	5 years
Rev. John West, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Chairman	4 years
Bro. Lowell Bates, Norman, Oklahoma	3 years
Rev. James Franklin, Drumright, Oklahoma	2 years
Rev. Ralph Staten, Wewoka, Oklahoma, Secretary	1 year

COMMITTEES

Appointed for the 1952 session of the Association

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:	TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE:
Rev. Ralph Staten	Sis. Cherry Fipps
Rev. Johnnie Postlewaite	Bro. J. E. Wilson
Rev. Bill Ketchum	Bro. Arval Arnold
Rev. Jess Stepp	Sis. Alice Wood
Rev. B. T. Kirby	Sis. Drew Marchant
Rev. Dennis O'Donnell	
Rev. W. V. Wood	OBITUARY COMMITTEE:
	Rev. Lonnie Hall
MUSIC COMMITTEE:	Rev. Sherman Webb
Rev. Delbert Akin	Rev. DeArthur Yandell
Rev. E. A. O'Donnell	Sis. Geneva Hoover
Rev. Cleo Pursell	Sis. Imogene Lee
Rev. Hattie Newman	
Rev. Jack Dodson	

PULPIT COMMITTEE:

Rev. Earl Jensen
Bro. Marvin Hawkins
Bro. Bill DaVault
Bro. N. C. Ballew
Bro. T. H. King

OPENING SESSION

The Forty-Fourth Annual Session of the State Association of Free Will Baptists, meeting October 21-23, 1952 at the First Free Will Baptist Church, McAlester, Oklahoma, opened with Singing "I'll Live in Glory" and "I'm a Millionaire" led by Bro. Leonard Crowder, Stigler, Oklahoma, with Sister Cleo Pursell at the Piano.

The Invocation was given by Rev. W. V. Wood, Lexington, Okla.

Special number by Bros. Weldon Wood and Leonard Crowder, "We'll Never Be Lonesome".

Rev. W. S. Mooneyham led the congregation in a number "Since Jesus Came into my heart", Quartet number by Weldon Wood, Johnnie Postlewaite, Dale Munkus, and Wade Jernigan, singing "The Great Redeemer" and "I'm Bound for the Kingdom" then Bro. Mooneyham led the congregation in several choruses.

Led in Prayer by Rev. I. W. Yandell, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Rev. Earl Jensen, host pastor, introduced the speaker for the evening, Rev. Clay Richey, Blanchard, Oklahoma, using for Scripture lesson St. John 16:12-13. Subject: "He Will Show You Things to Come". In his message Bro. Richey said we had one he could go to for information, namely, the Spirit of Truth. He further stated that there will come a time when men will give heed to seducing spirits and deny the faith. Some have given over to a hand-shaking religion. Bro. Richey also said we walk with Christ, not by water, but by Spirit. An altar call was given and one precious soul was saved.

Benediction: Rev. George Scott, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 A.M.

Song Service: Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, "Stand Up for Jesus"

Pianist: Mrs. W. S. Mooneyham

Call to Order and presentation of Moderator by the clerk, Weldon Wood, Ada, Oklahoma.

Devotional: Dale Munkus, Romans 8:1-10.

Prayer: Rev. Harry Staires, Oilton, Oklahoma.

Motion carried to receive the report of the General Board item by item.

Delegates were seated and given right hand of fellowship.

The following delegates were elected to attend the Arkansas State Association, which meets Wednesday night before the first Sunday in October, September 30-October 2, 1953. Miss Agnes Oliver, Bro. Bill Clarkson, and Rev. W. S. Mooneyham.

Motion made and accepted that we adopt the proposed program. Appointment of committees (see committees)

Adjourned dismissed in prayer by Rev. E. A. O'Donnell, Stone-wall, Oklahoma.

WEDNESDAY 11:00 A.M.

Song Service: Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, "Showers of Blessings".

Pianist: Cleo Pursell, Bristow, Oklahoma.

Special No. "Glory Will be Mine" by Weldon Wood, Johnnie Postlewaite, Dale Munkus, and Wade Jernigan.

Prayer: Rev. Jack Dodson, Duncan, Oklahoma.

Message: Rev. Ross Hamar of the Union Baptist Association, Scripture: Romans 8:1. Subject: "Led by the Spirit of God". Bro. Hamar said it does not pay to get ahead of God because you will do the right thing wrong; neither does it pay to get behind God for we will find our selves doing nothing for God. He further stated that since men have tried every thing, why not try God for awhile. He was followed by Rev. I. W. Yandell, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Bro. Yandell said "The Word of God is the only infallible guide for us today."

Adjourned.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bill Ketchum, Haskell, Oklahoma.

WEDNESDAY 1:30 P.M.

Song Service: Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, "He Keeps Me Singing".

Pianist: Rev. Cleo Pursell, Bristow, Oklahoma.

Devotional: Rev. Sherman Webb, Lindsay, Oklahoma, Scripture Psalm 138.

Prayer: Rev. W. H. Carter, Bristow, Oklahoma.

Welcome Address: Mr. H. I. Aston, Mayor of the City of McAlester, Oklahoma.

Response: Rev. Johnnie Postlewaite, Turley, Oklahoma.

Report of Special Credential Committee received and the letters from Old Eureka, Roberts-McGee and First Mission were accepted and delegates were seated and given the right hand of fellowship.

Report of the Executive Board was given by Rev. E. E. Morris, Chairman. (See Reports)

Report of Mission Board by Chairman Rev. E. S. Sunday, (See Reports)

The Association was given a ten minute intermission and was dismissed in prayer by Rev. Delbert Akin, Tecumseh, Oklahoma we came together by singing "Some Day" led by Rev. Dale Munkus, Allen, Oklahoma. Rev. Ernest Kennedy, Ardmore, Oklahoma at the piano. Special number by Myra Lou Barnard, working with Chantal Indians of Mexico, song translation of "Precious Lord Take My Hand".

Report of the Sunday School Board by Chairman Rev. John H. West, Tulsa, Oklahoma. (See Reports)

Motion to receive Rev. E. E. Morris resignation from the League Board. Accepted.

Motion made and accepted to accept Rev. Wade Jernigan resignation from the Christian Education and the Sunday School Board.

Motion passed to accept Rev. Weldon Wood resignation from the League Board.

Motion passed to adopt the partial report of the Resolution Committee. (See Reports)

Report of League Board by Rev. E. E. Morris. Accepted. (See Reports)

Motion to adjourn. Dismissed in Prayer by Rev. L. C. Crowder, Stigler, Oklahoma.

WEDNESDAY 7:00 P.M.

Song Service: Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, "Leaning on the Everlast Arm".

Pianist: Rev. Cleo Pursell, Bristow, Oklahoma.

Special No.: Wade Jernigan, Marie Roberts, Leonard Crowder, Eula Mae Yockum, "I Know I Have Religion".

Song and Choruses: Led by Rev. W. S. Mooneyham.

Quartet: Weldon Wood, Johnnie Postlewaite, Dale Munkus, Wade Jernigan, "You Can't Streamline Salvation" and "Amazing Grace".

Duet: L. C. Crowder and Weldon Wood, "We'll Never Be Lonesome".

Testimony Service: Rev. Lonnie DaVault, Shawnee, Oklahoma.

Message: Rev. E. S. Sunday, scripture, Rev. 22:11-14. Subject: "The End of the World". Bro. Sunday said it is not theology that saves, but Christ. A separation shall take place. He said we would hear of wars and rumors of wars, pestilence, earthquakes, as a sign of the end of time. Bro. T. H. Dixon followed using the same subject.

THURSDAY 9:00 A.M.

Song Service: E. M. Kennedy, Ardmore, Oklahoma, "Showers of Blessings".

Pianist: Rev. Cleo Pursell, Bristow, Oklahoma.

Devotional: Ernest Kennedy, Ardmore, Oklahoma, Hebrews 11:1-14.

Prayer: Rev. Hattie Newman, Oilton, Oklahoma.

Report of Publication Board given and accepted. (See reports)

Superannuation Board report given and accepted. (See reports)

Christian Education Board report given and accepted. (See reports)

Motion made and accepted that we receive Bro. Ralph Staten resignation from the Christian Education Board.

Election of Board members. (See Boards)

Motion accepted that we dissolve the Publication Board.

Motion to accept Bro. Lonnie DaVault resignation from Sunday School Board passed.

Report of the Executive Secretary, W. S. Mooneyham, accepted. (See report)

Adjourned, dismissed in prayer by Rev. Earl Jensen, McAlester.

THURSDAY 11:00 A.M.

Song Service: Rev. W. S. Mooneyham, Sulphur, Oklahoma, "On Christ the Solid Rock" and "Bringing in the Sheaves."

Pianist: Cleo Pursell, Bristow, Oklahoma.

Special No.: W. S. Mooneyham, Wade Jernigan, Marie Roberts, Eula Mae Yocham, "Beyond the Sunset."

Message: Rev. W. E. Wilson, Holdenville, Scripture I Co. 9:24
Subject: "The Christian Race." Bro. Wilson said many have started out on this Christian race and have failed to win the prize because they stopped on the way. Rev. B. T. Kirby, Oklahoma City, Okla.,

followed and said that it was needful for we, as Free Will Baptists, to seek to know the mind of God and overcome these tidings that may confront us.

Dismissed in Prayer by Rev. G. W. Hanks, Lone Grove.

THURSDAY 1:30 P.M.

Song Service: Rev. E. A. O'Donnell, Stonewall, "Victory in Jesus."

Pianist: Rev. Ernest Kennedy, Ardmore.

Devotional: Rev. W. F. Lee, Lindsay, Proverbs 3:13-20.

Special No.: W. E. Wilson, Mrs. Marion Caton, Marion Caton and Wade Jernigan with Miss Winnie Vance at the piano.

Prayer: Bro. Elzie Yandell, Red Oak.

Quartet: W. S. Mooneyham, Eula Mae Yocham, Marie Roberts, Wade Jernigan, "Its an Unfriendly World to Me."

Bro. W. S. Mooneyham was elected Executive Secretary.

Report of Woman's Auxiliary by the President, Mrs. Bessie Staires, accepted. (See reports)

Report of Committees accepted. (See Committee reports)

Motion that the same means of financing the State Executive Office as used last year be used again this year.

Motion accepted that the delegates, ministers, and deacons pay their own expenses at the State association in 1953.

The Association voted to go to the First Free Will Baptist Church of Norman in 1953.

Election of Officers. (See Officers)

Rev. Harry Staires, Oilton, Oklahoma, was elected to bring the Introductory message at the 1953 session. Rev. Bill Ketchum was elected as alternate.

Adjourned and dismissed in prayer by Rev. Harry Staires, Oilton, Oklahoma.

NATIONAL DELEGATES

Hopewell No. 1	Bro. Prichard
Canadian	Jim Martin
First Oklahoma	Lowell Bates
Dibble	Marvin Hawkins
Grand River	E. C. McEntire
Southeastern	Loyce Woolsey
Hopewell No. 2	W. A. DeHart
Old Eureka	Bob Bailles
Roberts McGee	Bertha Dorey
First Mission	Ethel Armstrong
Gains Creek	Tillie Oliver

Delegates elected by the body were: Bill DaVault, Leo Hoover, Mrs. Cherry Fipps, Lowell Bates and B. C. Wilson.

MINISTERS REGISTERED

NAME	CHURCH	ASSOCIATION	ADDRESS
Johnnie J. Postlewaite	Turley	First Mission	Box 98, Turley, Okla.
Paul E. Pursell	Bristow	First Mission	Box 997, Bristow, Okla.
E. A. O'Donnell	Sulphur	Dibble	Rt. 2, Stonewall, Okla.
P. H. Coffman	Murry Hill	Hopewell No. 1	501 E. Heron, Dennison, Tex.
Leonard Bean	Okemah	Canadian	Box 264, Wetumka, Okla.
W. F. Lee	Lindsay	Dibble	Box 61, Lindsay, Okla.
C. E. Kennedy	Keota	Old Eureka	Box 4, Keota, Okla.
B. T. Kirby	1st. Okla. City	Dibble	2212 S.W. 31, Okla. City, Okla.
Delbert Akin	Tecumseh	First Oklahoma	522 E. Washington, Tecumseh
J. A. Franklin	Drumright	First Mission	139 E. Drumright, Drumright, Okla.
R. Sherman Webb	Lindsay	Dibble	102 Ponca, Lindsay, Okla.
D. H. O'Donnell	Seminole	First Oklahoma	Box 66, Cromwell, Okla.
W. H. Carter	Liberty	First Mission	721 S. Chestnut, Bristow, Okla.
Harry E. Staires	Oilton	First Mission	Box 426, Oilton, Okla.
W. V. McPhail	Cushing	First Mission	Box 182, Cushing, Okla.
John L. Reel	Duck Creek	Grand River	5111 S. 32 W. Ave., Tulsa, Okla.
G. W. Hanks	Lone Grove	Hopewell No. 2	Lone Grove, Okla.
Roy Hearron	Stobtown	Hopewell No. 2	219 N.E. 10, Ardmore, Okla.
C. C. Hood	West Tulsa	First Mission	Rt. 9, Box 407, Tulsa, Okla.
Wade Jernigan	Norman	First Oklahoma	Box 67, Norman, Okla.
Leroy Bowers	Tecumseh	First Oklahoma	Tecumseh, Oklahoma
Dale Munkus	Allen	First Oklahoma	216 N. Cockrel, Norman, Okla.
Hattie Newman	Oilton	First Mission	Rt. 2, Jennings, Okla.
Ralph Staten	Wewoka	First Mission	Box 868, Wewoka, Okla.
W. S. Mooneyham	Sulphur	Hopewell No. 2	Box 38, Sulphur, Okla.
Harry Lee	Lonegrove	Gaines Creek	Star Rt., Haywood, Okla.
Lonnie Hall	Liberty	First Mission	Box 361, Drumright, Okla.
Jack R. Dodson	Duncan	Hopewell No. 2	221 Walnut, Duncan, Okla.
Lonnie DeVault	Pleasant Hill	First Oklahoma	700 N. Penn., Shawnee, Okla.
E. E. Morris	Ada	First Oklahoma	SW 33, Okla. City, Okla.
Weldon Wood	Capitol Hill	Center	420 S. Ash, Ada, Okla.
W. E. Wilson	Holdenville	Canadian	916 S. Broadway, Holdenville
L. C. Crowder	Stigler	Old Eureka	503 S.E. A, Stigler, Okla.
G. W. Scott	Central Ave.	First Oklahoma	1904 S. Central Ave., Okla. City
E. M. Kennedy	Ardmore	Hopewell No. 2	818 D. N.W. Ardmore, Okla.
Robert S. King		Arkansas	
Clay Richey	Blanchard	Dibble	Box 97, Blanchard Okla.
J. E. Yandell	New Harmons	Roberts McGee	Star Route, Red Oak, Okla.
John H. West	Tulsa, First	First Mission	833 N. Utica, Tulsa, Okla.
E. S. Sunday	Healdton	Hopewell No. 2	Box 241, Healdton, Okla.
Bill Ketchum	Haskell	Grand River	Box 31, Haskell, Okla.
A. L. McAffrey	Springfield	First Oklahoma	Lexington, Okla.
Clarence Sanders	McAlester	Gaines Creek	McAlester, Okla.
Cleo Pursell	Bristow	First Mission	Box 997, Bristow, Okla.
A. D. Marchant	Fulsom	Hopewell No. 1	724 W. Day, Dennison, Tex.
W. Dorey	Pleasant Valley	Roberts-McGee	Rt. 1, Poteau, Okla.
W. A. Hearron	Sulphur, E. Side	Dibble	Box 506, Sulphur, Okla.
J. D. Jackson	Blue Bell	First Mission	Rt. 2, Bristow, Okla.
Dick Shade	Blue Bell	First Mission	Rt. 1, Sapulpa, Okla.
Ross Hamar	Arapaho U. Bap.	Union Baptist	Arapahoe, Oklahoma
I. W. Yandell	Capitol Hill	First Oklahoma	
Earl Jensen	McAlester	Gaines Creek	331 N. B. McAlester
Doyle Dipboye	Ft. Smith	Zion Hope No. 2	3311 Oak Grove St., Ft. Smith, Ark.
W. V. Wood	Springhill	First Oklahoma	Rt. 2, Lexington, Okla.
Earl Guinn	Wolf	First Oklahoma	414 N. Penn, Shawnee, Okla.
J. D. Stepp	Bixby	Grand River	Box 437, Bixby, Okla.
Robert Duncan	Shawnee	First Oklahoma	129 S. Draper, Shawnee, Okla.
Eugene W. Riddle	Muskogee	Grand River	Box 284, Haskell, Okla.
J. C. Newby	Fanshawe	Roberts-McGee	Fanshawe, Oklahoma
Marion L. Caton	Calvin	Canadian	Rt. 4, Holdenville, Okla.
Elvis Priest	Holdenville	Canadian	315 N. Echo, Holdenville
Thomas H. Dixon	Checotah	Grand River	N.W. 4th Street, Checotah
Claude Chisum	Non	Canadian	Box 2, Non, Okla.

REPORT OF GENERAL BOARD

The General Board met at the King Koal Room in the Aldridge Hotel, October 21, 1952. Opened with reading of scripture found in Ephesians 2nd chapter by Bro. W. A. Hearron, prayer by Bro. T. H. King.

The letters were read and received from the following associations and we recommend that the delegates be seated.

Hopewell No. 2 ----- 6 delegates \$30.00

Old Eureka ----- 2 delegates (inc) \$10.00 incomplete

South Eastern -----	4 delegates	\$25.00
Gains Creek -----	4 delegates	\$20.00
Grand River -----	7 delegates	\$35.00
Hopewell No. 1 -----	4 delegates	\$20.00
Canadian -----	12 delegates	\$60.00
First Oklahoma -----	8 delegates	\$40.00
Dibble Association -----	10 delegates	\$50.00
Ada Church -----	1 delegate	\$ 5.00
TOTAL -----	58 delegates	

Motion made and received that the moderator appoint a committee of three to pass on the letters that may come in late. The following men were appointed: Bros. John West, W. A. Hearron, Earl Jensen.

Motion made that we seat the Ada Church along with its delegate.

Report of Executive Board was read and accepted with a rising vote of thanks from the General Board. (see report).

Motion made and accepted that we receive the report of the Executive Secretary with commendation. (see report).

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. E. E. Morris.

1:30 p.m.

Opened with prayer by Bro. John West.

Motion to receive the following corresponding delegates from the Arkansas State Association: Rev. Doyle Dipboye, Mrs. Doyle Dipboye, Mrs. A. D. Furgerson, Mrs. O. T. Dixon.

Motion made to recommend to the association to send corresponding delegates to the Arkansas State Association in 1953.

Motion made recommending to this State Association that we send corresponding delegates to the Union Baptist Association which meets Friday, October 25-26, 1952 at the Lenora Union Baptist Church.

We further recommend that we send as delegates Bros. Wade Jernigan, Clay Richey, and George W. Scott.

We also recommend that the expense of the delegates to the Union Baptist Association be paid.

The following auditing committee was elected to audit the state books:

Bros. Leonard Crowder, E. S. Sunday, and Bill Ketchum.

Report of the Sunday School Board was made and received.

Motion to receive the Mission Board Report. (see report).

Adjourned.

Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Clay Richey.

ASSOCIATIONAL LETTERS

For statistical report of the associations, please see report of the Statistician.

HOPEWELL NO. 1: Delegates—Hattie Williams, Winnie Speaks, Velma King, and Mrs. Drew Marchant.

Moderator—Dr. T. H. King, Durant, Oklahoma

Clerk—Mrs. Hattie Williams, Route 4, Atoka, Oklahoma.

CANADIAN Delegates—Ben Bolin, Mrs. Cyrene Green, Mavis Chisum, Irma Smith, R. P. Lancaster, Hiram Liles, Mrs. L. L.

- Berry, Lenora Bean, Wayland Bogle, Jim Martin, Bro. Dotson, Geneva Hoover.
- Moderator**—Cecil McKenzie, Route 2, Sasakwa, Oklahoma
- Clerk**—Audrey Overlease, 113½ N. Popular, Bristow, Oklahoma
- FIRST OKLAHOMA Delegates**—DeArthur Yandell, Carl Walters, Ronald Siler, LeRoy Bowers, John Straughn, Lowell Bates, Wanda Johnson, Lucille Stark
- Moderator**—Wade Jernigan, Box 67, Norman, Oklahoma
- Clerk**—Mildred Cash, 536 N. Douglas, Shawnee, Oklahoma
- DIBBLE Delegates**—E. A. O'Donnell, Jack Hopkins, Robert Davis, Russell Wells, J. E. Wilson, Thomas Browning, Carl Holcomb, Marvin Hawkins, W. F. Lee, Mrs. B. T. Kirby
- Moderator**—B. T. Kirby, 2212 S.W. 31, Oklahoma City, Okla.
- Clerk**—Opal Hearron, 4601 Melrose, Oklahoma City, Okla.
- ADA CHURCH Delegates**—Alice Wood, Pastor, Weldon Wood, 420 S. Ash, Ada, Okla.
- GRAND RIVER Delegates**—Delbert Rice, Eril Watkins, John Littlefield, Laura Arnold, Ancil Mashburn, Arnold Fannings, Velma Vandaway.
- Moderator**—Rev. Bill Ketchum, Box 31, Haskell Oklahoma
- Clerk**—Howard Gage, Rt. 2, Box 59, Pryor, Oklahoma
- SOUTHEASTERN Delegates**—Bill Clarkson, Wade Hedrick, Sister Baggs, Arvil Arnold.
- Moderator**—Rev. Frank Wharton, Idabel, Oklahoma, Route 2
- Clerk**—Frankie Herman, Soper, Oklahoma
- HOPEWELL NO. 2 Delegates**—Mrs. Charlie Truitt, Mrs. N. R. Smith, Johnnie Gilmore, C. M. Burdue, Othel Kyle, Mrs. R. D. Norwood
- Moderator**—Rev. E. S. Sunday, Box 241, Healdton, Oklahoma
- Clerk**—Mrs. A. L. Spurgin, Rt. 3, Duncan, Oklahoma
- OLD EUREKA, Delegates**—Dissie Mendenhall, Mrs. S. A. Lemby, Duel Cone, Jewel J. Britten, Bob Bailes, Sallie McCullah, Agnes Oliver.
- Moderator**—Rev. L. C. Crowder, Stigler, Oklahoma
- Clerk**—Fred Duncan, Stigler, Oklahoma
- ROBERTS-McGEE Delegates**—Ed. McCord, Bertha Dorey
- Moderator**—Rev. J. R. Roper, Howl, Oklahoma
- Clerk**—Iva Smith, Shady Point
- FIRST MISSION Delegates**—Mrs. C. D. Benton, Ethel Armstrong, Mrs. Lonnie Hall, Ann Thrasher, Lorene Shade, Eula Mae Yokum, and Cherry Fipps
- Moderator**—Rev. H. E. Staires, Oilton, Oklahoma
- Clerk**—Gene E. Winfrey, 515 S. 57, W. Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma
- GAINES CREEK Delegates**—Harry Tork, Fannie McCracken, Harold Bernhardt, Imogene Lee
- Moderator**—Rev. Earl Jensen, 331, North B. McAlester, Okla.
- Clerk**—Tillie Oliver, Route 7, McAlester, Okla.
- CENTER Moderator**—Rev. Bill Bratcher, Route 1, Stratford, Okla.
- Clerk**—Mr. E. T. Cox, Route 5, Ada, Okla.
- NORTH EAST Moderator**—Rev. Kelley Mathis, 1610 Center St., Collinsville, Okla.
- Clerk**—Mrs. Elsie McMillen, Route 1, Talala, Oklahoma

EASTERN Moderator—Rev. P. N. Qualls, Route 3, Box 3, Muldrow, Okla.

Clerk—Miss Belle Viles, Route 2, Box 202A, Muldrow, Okla.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

As we look at the accomplishments of Free Will Baptists in this state during the associational year of 1951-52, I think two things should highlight this report. Again, home mission activity leads the field of accomplishments with eleven new churches organized. Five of these were organized with the direct help of the State Mission Board, but all are substantial, promising churches as you can see from their reports below:

Name	Date Organized	Charter Membership
Plymouth, near Barnsdall	Jan. 27, 1952	9
Muskogee	Feb. 12, 1952	20
Smith Chapel, near Rose	June , 1952	9
Pryor	July 2, 1952	29
Muldrow	July 24, 1952	22
Allen	Sept. 6, 1952	40
Comanche	Sept. 7, 1952	8
Ardmore	Sept. 14, 1952	44
Spring Valley, near Wagoner		—
Lone Oak, near McAlester		—
Pauls Valley	June , 1952	8

Perhaps the other significant area of progress has been the increased interest in promotional activity. Wherever I have gone, (and I have visited eight of the associations), I have seen a deepened interest on the part of pastors and laymen alike in the promotion of our enterprises. While, of course, the attitude is not entirely new, it is taking hold in many new areas heretofore unenlisted in the state and national program. (For tangible evidence of this increased interest, see the financial report).

But these are not the only fields where we have prospered. With one exception, our gifts to outside causes were above the figures for last year. This is a healthy situation, for our contributions to causes outside the local church should always increase. Below is a chart showing our giving for the last two years with the amount of increase or decrease:

	1950-51	1951-52	Increase
Orphanage	\$10,127.77	\$10,876.65	\$ 748.88
Missions (state, national and foreign)	4,716.87	4,763.18	46.31
Bible College	3,299.27	2,889.79	—409.48
Superannuation	no figure	81.98	
Promotional Office	273.58	1,623.07	1,349.49
TOTAL	\$18,417.49	\$20,234.67	\$1,617.18

We may all be proud of the manner in which Oklahoma entertained the National Convention at Shawnee in July. Attendance during the 10-day sessions was approximately 3,500, which was an all-time record. All of the delegates were lavish in their praise of

the accommodations which the city of Shawnee and the people of our state association had provided.

Much favorable publicity was received throughout the state because of the conventions. You will notice in the financial report that the cost of promoting and publicizing the conventions was \$604.24.

With this record of accomplishments behind us, we face a challenging and promising year. We should look forward to two things as we forge ahead:

(1) Many of our people are asking for an efficient, proportionate plan for supporting all programs of the denominational work. The answer seems to lie in some sort of co-operative program of support, similar to that adopted for study by the National Association this year.

(2) We should also look forward to having a full-time secretary for the Executive Office. Our state program has already outgrown the present part-time executive office plan.

I urge you to give much thought and prayer to the two proposals, which even now have become pressing needs. It has been a pleasure to serve you as executive secretary in this history-making year of progress.

Respectfully submitted,
W. S. Mooneyham,
Executive Secretary.

FINANCIAL REPORT

GENERAL FUND:

Receipts:

Balance, Oct. 25, 1951	\$ 47.13	Iron Chapel church	25.00
State association fees	320.00	Murry Spur church	25.00
State League. conv.	20.00	First church, Sulphur	25.00
Auxiliary conv.	15.00	Hilltop church	25.00
State Orphanage	144.28	Anonymous contributor	12.55
State Mission Board	100.00	Hanna church	25.00
Off'g. at Nat'l. Ass'n.	196.00	Stigler church	25.00
Non church	50.00	Mr. R. B. Tipton, Wewoka	10.00
Rev. Clay Richey		Clemson church	25.00
(Blanchard church)	25.00	Santa Fe church	25.00
Crossroads church	25.00	Bryant church	25.00
Weleetka church	25.00	First church, Sapulpa	25.00
Rev. Harry Lee, Haywood	25.00	Wolf church	15.00
Olive church	5.00	Stobtown church	25.00
Ada church	25.00	Prettywater Auxiliary	10.00
Collinsville church	25.00	Wewoka church	25.00
Drumright church	25.00	TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$1,623.07
Lewis Ave. church, Tulsa	25.00	DISBURSEMENTS:	
First church, Tulsa	25.00	Nat'l. Ass'n promotion	\$ 604.24
Calvin church	25.00	Secretarial help	338.50
Tecumseh church	25.00	Office expense (phone	
Vanzant church	25.00	postage, wires, etc.)	218.74
Hopewell No. 1 ass'n.	10.25	Office equipment	211.50
Checotah church	25.00	Office supplies	166.14
Prague church	25.00	Printing state minutes	143.00
Allen church	25.00	Nat'l. Ass'n. entry fee	70.00
		Travel expense	61.50

Disbursements:

State ass'n. expense	46.53
Miscellaneous	22.24
Bank service charges	5.44

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$1,887.83
Total Receipts	1,623.07

Deficit in Gen. Fund - 264.76

SUPERANNUATION FUND:

Balance, Oct. 25, 1951	\$ 583.33
Receipts for year	81.98
Balance, Oct. 15, 1952	\$ 665.31

MISSIONS FUND.

Balance, Oct. 25, 1951	\$ 350.26
Receipts for year	26.11

Total	376.37
Disbursements	\$ 376.37
No balance	

BIBLE COLLEGE FUND:

Receipts for year	\$ 455.09
Disbursements	433.59
Balance, Oct. 15, 1952	\$ 21.50

AUXILIARY CO-LABORER FUND:

Receipts for year	\$ 109.90
Disbursements	109.90
No balance	

ORPHANAGE FUND:

Receipts for year	\$ 137.65
Disbursements	137.65
No Balance	

Receipts in all funds	\$3,367.39
Disbursements. all funds	2,945.34

Balance in bank, Oct. 15 \$ 422.05

BALANCE IN FUNDS

Superannuation	\$ 665.31
Bible College	21.50

Total	686.81
Bank balance	422.05

DEFICIT, Oct. 15, 1952- 264.76

Association	No. Churches	Membership	Membership gain or loss over 1951	Property Value	Ministers	Deacons
Grand River	28	1,609	240	\$ 118,500	56	
Hopewell No. 1	4	315	—7	\$ 14,000	8	20
Old Eureka	32	2,000	446	\$ 47,100	30	72
Canadian	15	1,044	105	\$ 44,000	31	45
Roberts-McGee	11	350	103	\$ 5,000	15	4
First Mission	21	2,464	—133	\$ 416,500	75	100
Gaines Creek	5	280	—320	\$ 25,000	6	6
Hopewell No. 2	8	634	392	\$ 75,000	10	18
Southeastern	10	400	100	\$ 27,000	10	18
Dibble	10	965	—63	\$ 55,000	16	
First Oklahoma	14	1,350	154	\$ 168,000	45	
Center (not represented)	10	906	—113	\$ 75,000	22	23
North East Okla. (not. rep.)	5	200		\$ 8,000	14	12
Eastern (not represented)	6	200			13	12
Unenlisted churches	3	75				
TOTALS	182	13,792	2,178	\$1,078,000	351	331

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

This has been a busy and full year for the state Executive Board. The Board has held over 20 meetings in varied parts of the states and these meetings have required extensive traveling—a good bit over 10,000 miles. Most of the meetings were held to take care of five items of business for the state association.

(1) The Board met nearly every month at the Children's Home to see that the Home was operating smoothly. Affairs are in good shape at the Home, and you can see the picture of the work done from the financial report.

(2) The second item of business was in regard to the orphanage property at Bristow which the state association voted last year to accept from the city. This Board met with the appointed Board of Trustees of that property and found that the city of Bristow did not have clear title to the property and herefore could not convey it. To have taken the property would have involved the state association in a lengthy and costly "quiet title" suit and it was our decision not to accept the propetry.

(3) The Executive Board made three trips to McCurtain, Okla., to clear up the title to property which had been willed to our Children's Home by Mrs. Margaret Bailey. The will has been probated satisfactorily and we have sold the property for \$2,000. The law of limitation in regard to wills expire in the spring (a year after the will has been probated) and then the money can be collected by the Children's Home.

(4) The Board has negotiated an agreement with Mr. and Mrs. Rex Weatherman and have in our possession a note signed by them in the amount of \$1,000 payable to the Children's Home. Of this amount, \$410.00 has been paid—\$300 in cash and \$110 which was owed them when their services ended at the Home. The balance due on the note is \$590.00.

(5) The Board also did extensive work in making arrangements for entertaining the national conventions at Shawnee. The city of Shawnee reacted very favorably to having us there, and we feel in every way the conventions were a success.

Throughout the state in all areas of work, we have had a good year. We look forward to an even greater one.

Respectfully submitted,

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. E. E. Morris, chairman

BALANCE SHEET FOR OKLAHOMA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

October, 1951 to October, 1952

Inventory, October, 1952	\$50,251.50
Income:	
Balance brought forward	\$ 260.00
October	656.54
November	4,207.26
December	1,620.49
January	1,983.86
February	927.60
March	654.58

April	834.48
May	471.51
June	870.61
July	567.23
August	873.02
September	625.01

TOTAL INCOME ----- \$14,552.79

Expenditures:

General Ledger items	\$ 5,868.77
(Note paid	\$1,446.72)
(Acct. tran.	1,136.17)
(Miscellaneous	3,285.88)
Utilities	905.95
Maintenance of Home	2,131.20
Clothing	624.05
Salaries	2,825.00
Food	1,547.74
Car Expense	645.09

TOTAL EXPENDITURES ----- 14,547.80

Balance in bank, Oct. 1, 1952 ----- \$ 4.99
Accounts Payable (Universal CIT Credit Corporation) ----- \$1,679.94

NET WORTH, October 1, 1952 ----- \$50,286.50
Inventory, October 21, 1951 ----- \$50,286.50
Accounts Payable (approximate) ----- 2,840.26

INCREASE IN NET WORTH OF HOME
DURING THE YEAR ----- \$ 1,025.35

INVENTORY SHEET

October 21, 1951

51 Head of cattle	\$ 6,425.00	1 Two-wheel trailer	20.00
5 Hogs	80.00	1 Chevrolet panel truck	
20 Hens	20.00	(1948 model)	1,050.00
2 Paint ponies	50.00	180 Bales of hay and feed	90.00
1 Burro	10.00	1 2-row planter	1.50
1 Allis-Chalmers tractor		1 Stock saddle	25.00
and cultivator	250.00	1500 Quarts canned food	225.00
1 Avery mower	200.00	306 Acres of land	
1 14 in. 2-bottom		@ \$50	15,300.00
gang plow	75.00	buildings	25,000.00
1 Section harrow	10.00	Buildings and out-	
1 Tractor disc	10.00	Main bldg. contents	300.00
1 2-row tractor lister	10.00	1 15 ft. Norge freezer	675.00
1 Tractor sprayer	25.00	1 10 ft. Norge refrig.	300.00
1 Sweeprake	50.00		
1 Power baler	75.00	TOTAL INVENTORY	\$50,286.50

October 1, 1952

18 Cows -----	\$ 2,700.00	(1948) model) --	840.00
16 Calves -----	800.00	500 Bales of alfalfa --	750.00
1 Registered bull ----	350.00	30 Bales Johnson grass	
2 Hogs -----	60.00	hay -----	15.00
85 Hens -----	85.00	150 Oak fence posts --	22.50
2 Paint ponies -----	50.00	1 Roll barbwire ----	9.00
1 Burro -----	10.00	1 Dodge 1½ ton truck	
1 Allis-Chalmers tractor		(1952 model) ----	2,128.00
and cultivator ---	225.00	1000 Quarts canned food	150.00
1 Avery mower ----	180.00	306 Acres of land	
1 14 in. 2-bottom		@ \$50 -----	15,300.00
gang plow -----	68.50	Buildings and out-	
1 Section harrow --	9.00	buildings -----	25,000.00
1 Tractor disc. -----	9.00	Main bldg. contents	300.00
1 2-row tractor lister	9.00	1 15 ft. Norge freezer	607.50
1 Tractor sprayer --	22.50	1 10 ft. Norge refrig.	270.00
1 Sweeprake -----	45.00	1 Montgomery Ward.	
1 Power baler -----	68.50	cook stove -----	150.00
1 Two-wheel trailer	18.00		
1 Chevrolet panel truck		TOTAL INVENTORY	\$50,251.50

Information About The Home

1. There are now 19 children in the Home—11 boys and 8 girls.
2. A large government pond has been constructed and a diversion ditch built on the property this year.
3. Asphalt tile has been laid in the reception room, dining room, pantry, kitchen, two bathrooms and two hallways. Both the kitchen and the dining room have undergone some redecoration.
4. The Home is still far from self-supporting. Our churches must continue to stand behind it with their regular gifts.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

The Sunday School Board has had four meetings since elected last year at the state Association.

Our first meeting was for the purpose of organizing the Board. Bro. John West was elected president and Bro. Wade Jernigan was elected secretary. No other business was transacted at this meeting.

2nd meeting was at Capitol Hill Church where we made plans for a convention. The other meetings were for the completion of plans for the convention and for the planning of the program.

The Sunday School Convention convened October 20, 1952, at McAlester Church and at this convention we voted to place a full-time worker on the field. It was also voted to have the Sunday School Convention meet separate from the State Association. The date of the convention will be announced by the board later and plans for a great convention will be made.

We have plans in the making for raising needed funds.

John H. West, Chairman
Wade Jernigan, Secretary

REPORT OF PUBLICATION BOARD

The Publication Board has been inactive this year due to the fact that many of its members were busy serving on other Boards. The only work which has been done has been the continuance of THE SMALL VOICE as the publication of Western Free Will Baptists.

We are glad to report that the circulation of the paper is now between 1,100 and 1,200, which is an increase of more than 200 subscribers since last year. The paper is rapidly becoming accepted in Arkansas as well as Texas and California.

We feel the paper can serve a real and definite purpose if pastors and churches will actively support it. We urge them to do so.

W. S. Mooneyham, Chairman

SUPERANNUATION BOARD

The Superannuation Board met October 22, 1952 at the State Association when convened at the McAlester Church. As we have not made any progress with this movement, we recommend that this board be dissolved and the money on hand be transferred to the General Fund.

Balance brought forward from last year	-----	\$583.33
Receipts for 1952	-----	81.98
Balance	-----	\$665.31

George W. Scott, Chairman

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Temperance committee, recommend that this State Association go on record endorsing the local option bill on beer pending before the State Legislature and that copies of this recommendation be sent to the governor and speaker of the Legislature and Senate.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We find that God in His infinite wisdom has called from our midst the following.

A prayer of memory was given by Rev. T. A. Dixon.

Hopewell No. 1	-----	4
Canadian	-----	6
First Oklahoma	-----	9
Dibble	-----	6
Ada Church	-----	3
Grand River	-----	13
Eastern	-----	18
Hopewell No. 2	-----	4
Eureka	-----	17
Roberts-McGee	-----	4
First Mission	-----	18
Gaines Creek	-----	3

Obituary Committee.

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Auditing Committee, wish to submit our approval of the financial report of the State Executive Office.

We also submit our approval of the financial report of the Free Will Baptist State Orphanage Treasurer's report.

The Auditing Committee.

MUSIC COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your committee on music, beg leave to submit the following report:

Since music is an important part of our Church worship, we suggest that each church take greater interest in developing the musical department of the church.

1. We suggest that the pastor supervise the training of his choir or congregation in the training and selection of both books and selection of songs in the service.

2. Choir leaders should be Christians and be members of the church, if possible.

3. If the pastor is not qualified as an instructor of choir and class music he should secure the service of someone who has been trained in this field.

4. We recommend that hymnals be used when practicable, but not exclusively, as circumstances may be such that hymnals cannot be provided in each case, therefore we suggest that hymns be selected from current books.

5. We suggest that each church secure competent instruction in the elements of vocal music, choir or singing school each year, so that a constant flow of trained singers might be retained in the congregation as well as the choir.

Respectively submitted:

Committee on Music

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

No. 1. Be it resolved that State Association, recommend to each district association, that they recommend to each church of their respective association, that in transferring of membership, of laity or ministers, that no church receive a member without a letter of good standing, with the signature of both church clerk and said pastor.

Be it further resolved that we recommend to the district associations, that each minister transferring his membership from one to another, before being seated as a standing delegate, should have the approval of an examining council or a credential committee.

No. 2. Be it resolved, that the State Clerk, shall have printed sufficient minutes, so as when each district clerk distributes the said number, that each church in his association, whether or not the Five Dollars (\$5.00) fee is paid, shall receive the number of minutes according to its membership.

No. 3. Be it resolved, that the sum of One Hundred Dollars, (\$100.00) be set aside for use by the Christian Education Board in setting up the library.

No. 4. Be it resolved that we extend to this church and community a rising vote of thanks for the many kindnesses and courtesies and for the splendid manner in which they have entertained this session. We bid you God's speed in your further labors for the cause.

Ralph Staten, Chairman
Johnnie Postlewait, Secretary

REPORT OF STATE MISSIONS BOARD

October 1, 1951-October 1, 1952

We have had three Board meetings this past associational year.

1. Bristow, December 10, 1951.
2. Haskell, March 28, 1952.
3. Blue Bell, October 3, 1952.

In our annual Board meeting at Blue Bell, October 3, 1952, we concluded our work for the past year as of October 1, 1952.

We have sponsored eight new Free Will Baptist Churches in the State; namely: Lindsey, Okemah, Pryor, Muldrow, Ardmore, Allen, Plymouth school near Barnsdall and Spring Branch, near Meeker.

We are pleased with our Mission receipts this year. There was an appreciable increase in monetary support of missions over last year. We had Tommy and Barbara Willey on an itinerary for missions during June and July.

The Board goes on record recommending \$6,550.00 as a combined quota for missions in Oklahoma viz: State; National Home Missions and for missions during the coming year, we would use the mails as means of reaching the quota we have set.

Mission receipts as of October 1, 1952-----	\$3,607.15
Paid out -----	\$2,601.69

Balance in treasury -----	\$ 935.46
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E. S. Sunday, Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We, the Board of Christian Education, submit the following report:

- I. In our first meeting which was held in June during the State League Convention at Shawnee, we transacted the following business:
 1. The board was organized and these officers were elected:—Chairman, Ralph Staten; Secretary, Wade Jernigan.
 2. A schedule for the F.W.B.C. Quartet was worked out to make an itinerary for 27 churches during the month of August.
- II. In our second meeting which has been during this session of the State Association in McAlester, we have transacted the following business which we pray you to be received as our report to this associational body.
 1. Be it resolved that we recommend to this State Association that the month of November be proclaimed as Free Will Baptist Bible College—\$65,000—Campaign month, and that that the said monies raised shall be forwarded from each contributing church to the Free Will Baptist Bible College.
 2. Be it resolved that the State Association sponsor, in the immediate future, a Christian Workers' Institute to provide an opportunity for teacher training in the different departments of our educational program. Requests from churches which desire to entertain such an institute should be submitted to this board stating what each attendant would be expected to bring and what would be the registration and

board fee. This said board shall be authorized to set up other rules and regulations to govern the conduct of such school.

3. Be it resolved that we request the Free Will Baptist Bible College authorities to arrange, if possible, an Inter-semester session to provide for courses to prepare candidates for instructors in teacher training among our brotherhood. In event such arrangements are made, we further recommend that each district association send one or more to such session send one or more to such session and aid in the defrayal of that student's expenses.
4. Be it resolved that we have a State Librarian who shall set up a library system with a circulating method to make possible such reading material that will be of aid to our young ministers and those who should like to participate in such educational program, and that the chairman of Christian Education board be the Librarian.

Ralph Staten, Chairman

Lonnie Da Vault, Secretary

STATE LEAGUE RALLY

WEDNESDAY 10:00 A.M.

The 10th annual meeting of the Oklahoma State League Rally, meeting at Shawnee, of Free Will Baptists was called to order by the president, Rev. Wade Jernigan. Ann Green led the singing with Yvonne Clark at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Dick Shade. Devotional reading by Rev. Jack Dodson, Duncan, Psalms I. Welcome address by JoAnn Piercey. Letters called for. Letter read and accepted from First Mission Ass'n. Intermission, for registration. Adjourn business until 1:30 p.m. Dismissed by Bro. Cecil McKenzie.

WEDNESDAY 11:00 A.M.

Opened by singing the convention theme song, "Give of Your Best To The Master." Prayer by Bro. Harry Staires. Special by Jo Ann Piercey and Yvonne Clark, "God is Real". Quartet by Rev. Jess Stepp, Rev. Leonard Crowder, Rev. Ralph Staten, and Bro. W. E. Wilson. All the preachers present were called to a special altar of prayer on behalf of Rev. Paul Pursell, who is ill. Prayer led by Rev. E. E. Morris. Tommie and Barbara Willey from Cuba were introduced to the group. The morning message was delivered by Rev. Joe Blair of the Holly Creek church, using for a text, Acts 5:29-32. Subject, "We Ought to Obey God Rather than Men." Dismissed by Bro. Ralph Staten.

WEDNESDAY 1:30 P.M.

Prayer by Rev. Harry Staires. Choruses led by Larry Tipton, Donna Gale Tipton at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Ralph Staten. Business session called to order by the president. Motion carried, the president and vice president appointed all committees. Committees appointed as follows.

PULPIT COMMITTEE: T. M. Blalock, Garry Holt, Larry Tipton, Jo Ann Lewis, Sue Wood.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE: Weldon Wood, Joe Blair, Harry Lee, Dorothea DeHart, Jo Ann Piercey.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: Lonnie DeVault, Burl Roberts, Leonard Crowder, Donna Gale Tipton, Carol Shobert.

AUDITING COMMITTEE: Jack Dodson, Doris Taylor, Shirley Eslick, Yvonne Clark, Ann Green.

Program turned to Bro. Ralph Staten for a panel discussion. "The League—The Training School of the Church". Special songs by Barbara and Tommy Willey. "My Jesus I Love Thee." They also sang our theme song in Spanish.

The following judges were appointed for the programs. Tommy Willey, Barbara Willey, Agnes Oliver. Programs presented by 1st Oklahoma Ass'n., Shawnee League—"Answered Prayer". Canadian Ass'n., Holdenville Church—"Conversion". Special song by Rev. Leonard Crowder, Bro. W. E. Wilson, Bro. Weldon Wood and Bro. Wade Jernigan—"You Can't Streamline Salvation". Bro. Larry Tipton led the group in singing choruses. Special song by Rev. Leonard Crowder and Lavonne Greenmyer, from Old Eureka Assn. "Smiling Through Tears" and "We'll never Be Lonesome". Mrs. Cecil Stephens and Mrs. Ruby Eslick were appointed as girls dormitory sponsors. Report read from the program committee; Rev. Jack Dodson and Rev. Leonard Crowder to preach tonight. Dismissed by Rev. George Scott.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 P.M.

Grove Services: Boys led By Rev. Harry Staires. Girls led by Rev. Hattie Newman.

WEDNESDAY 8:00 P.M.

Song Service led by Bro. Delbert Akin—Yvonne Clark at the piano. Prayer by Sis. Agnes Oliver. Special song by Bro. W. E. Wilson, Bro. Leonard Crowder. Bro. and Sis. George Scott. "Mansion Over The Hilltop" sung by Gary Holt. Quartet by Delbert Akin, Willa Marie George, Tom Anglin and Dale Munkus. "Daniel Prayer". Prayer by Rev. Weldon Wood. Message by Rev. Jack Dodson. Subject—"Give of Your Best to the Master". He was followed by Rev. Leonard Crowder. Text. Matt 16:24. Dismissed by Bro. Dale Munkus.

THURSDAY 9:30 A.M.

Song service led by Dale Munkus. Ann Green at the piano. Devotional led by Rev. Lonnie Sparks. Eph. 2:1-5. Program turned to Rev. John West for a discussion on the place of the League in the church. Motion carried we adjourn the business meeting until 1:30 p.m.

THURSDAY 11:00 A.M.

Song Service led by Rev. W. S. Mooneyham. Maxine Wallace at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Leonard Crowder. Morning message by Rev. C. R. Fassio, of Eufaula—reading for a text Jer. 3:4. He brought a message following on the Conference Theme of "Give of Our Best to the Master". Choruses led by Rev. W. S. Mooneyham. Dismissed by Rev. Harry Lee.

THURSDAY 1:30 P.M.

Song Service led by Tommy Willey—Donna Gale Tipton at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Lonnie DeVault. Special song by Tommy Willey, "Each Step of the Way". "Blessed Assurance" sung in both English and Spanish. "Near to the Heart of God" sung by Barbara Willey.

Scripture reading I Tim. 4:12-16. Program turned to LaVerda Mooneyham for the Intermediate Sword Drill. Winner: Roberta Garrett from Canadian Assn. She will represent our state in the Intermediate Sword Drill at the National League Conference. Programs presented by—First Mission Ass'n. Wewoka Church—"A Mother's Prayer". Hopewell Ass'n. No. 2. "Parable of Debtors". Special song by Gary Holt—"Sunbeam Avenue". Special by Rickey, Donnie and Ronnie Duncan—"Mansion Over the Hilltop". Program banner presented to Sponsor of Holdenville church—Canadian Ass'n. Quartet by Rev. Jess Stepp, Rev. and Mrs. Bill Ketchum and Howard Gage. "The Prettiest Flowers". Altar service in which one soul was saved. Old-fashioned hand shake. The next State League Convention will be held at the Grand River Ass'n. camp ground near Coweta, on Wednesday before the last Sunday in June 1953, God willing. Motion carried we adjourn the business session until 9:00 a.m. Friday. Dismissed in prayer by Bro. R. B. Tipton.

THURSDAY 7:30 P.M.

Grove Services: Girls led by Yvonne Clark. Boys led by Rev. Wade Jernigan.

THURSDAY 8:00 P.M.

Singing led by Tom Anglin. "What a Gathering". Prayer by Bill Hood. Duet by Rev. Leonard Crowder and Lavon Greenmeyer. Special song by Junior Quartet from McAlester. Special by Japer Clark, Yvonne Clark and Jo Ann Piercey, "Peace in the Valley". Services turned to Sis. Agnes Oliver for an old-fashioned Testimony Service. A wonderful service. Special by Rev. Jess Stepp, Rev. Wade Jernigan, Rev. Leonard Crowder and Rev. Weldon Wood. "Then Jesus Came" by Donna Gale Tipton.

Evening message by Rev. Dale Munkus. Text John 6:5. Subject—"Youth In the Service of God". He was followed by Rev. W. S. Mooneyham. Altar of prayer of dedication. Dismissed by Bro. Lowell Bates.

FRIDAY 9:00 A.M.

Singing led by Rev. Weldon Wood. Yvonne Clark at the piano. Duet by Gary Holt and Shirley Eslick. Devotional by Bro. Joe Blair. Psalms 133. Prayer by Rev. Harry Staires. Report of the Business committee read and accepted as follows.

RESOLUTION NO. 1: We, your Business Committee recommend that the State League Rally pay all incurring bills, amounting to \$25.11.

RESOLUTION No. 2: We further recommend that we set the goal for the 1953 State League Rally at 1,335, and that our secretary notify each district at least three months in advance of that districts

individual attendance goal. These goals shall be as follows. First Okla.—200; Mission—200; Canadian—200; Grand River—200; Eureka—150; Center—100; Dibble—75; Hopewell No. 2—75; North East—30; Eastern—25; Southeastern—20, Hopewell No. 1—10; Roberts-McGee—50.

RESOLUTION NO. 3: We, your Business Committee recommend that we send \$25 to the State Ass'n. as minute money.

RESOLUTION N. 4: We, your Business Committee recommend that we pay the First Oklahoma Ass'n. \$5.00 for utility bills.

RESOLUTION No. 5: We, your Business Committee recommend that programs be distributed over all three days of the State League Rally. Signed—Business Committee.

Treasurer's report read and accepted. Report of the resolution committee accepted as follows: Be it resolved that we send Bro. Purcell a get-well card from this Convention. Rev. Johnny Postlewaite elected by acclamation to bring the introductory message at the next League Rally. Rev. Dale Munkus elected as alternate. Letters from First Oklahoma, Hopewell No. 2, and Eureka Ass'ns. read and accepted. Motion carried the League Board take up the matter of making a contribution to the State Executive Office. The following officers were elected.

Sponsor—Rev. Harry Staires, Oiltown, Oklahoma

President—Rev. Wade Jernigan, Gen. Del., Norman, Oklahoma

Vice President—Dale Munkus, 213 N. Cockrel, Norman, Oklahoma

Corresponding Secretary—Agnes Oliver, McCurtain, Oklahoma

Recording Secretary—Eileen Melton, Box 307, Atoka, Oklahoma

Treasurer—Yvonne Clark, 2528 S. W. 33rd St., Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dormitory Sponsors—Boys, Rev. Jess Stepp and Rev. Weldon Wood

Sr. Girls, Rev. Hattie Newman and Sis. Eslick, Jr. Girls, Rev. Cleo Pursell and Sis. Jessie Ketchum.

Motion carried we elect State League Evangelist. Rev. Dale Munkus was elected. The Attendance banner was awarded to Gary Holt, president of Hopewell Ass'n. No. 2, as they came nearest to reaching the goal set for them. Motion carried we adjourn the business meeting to meet again on Wednesday before the 4th Sunday in June, 1953. Dismissed by Rev. D. H. O'Donnell.

FRIDAY 11:00 A.M.

Singing led by Rev. Jess Stepp, Ann Green at the piano. Prayer by Bro. Don Ketchum. Response to the Welcome by Donna Gale Tipton. Song by Sis. Mildred Cash, "Stand By Me". Choruses led by Tommy Willey and Donna Gale Tipton. Message by Bro. George Scott. Reading from the book of Joshua. Subject, "Choose You This Day". Program turned to Bro. E. E. Morris for installation of officers. Benediction by Rev. Johnny Postlewaite.

Rev. Wade Jernigan—President

Eileen Melton—Recording Secretary

Agnes Oliver—Corresponding Sec'y

**The Twelfth Annual Session
of the
WOMAN'S STATE AUXILIARY CONVENTION**

McAlester Free Will Baptist Church

October 21, 1952

Theme: Vision—Proverbs 29:18

Aim: Clearer Vision

The Convention was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by the president, Mrs. Ralph Staires. Singing was led by Mrs. Albert Jarrett, McAlester. Pianist, Mrs. W. S. Mooneyham, Sulphur. Devotional by Doyle Diphoye, Ft. Smith, Ark. Psalms 116. Prayer by Rev. Paul Pursell, Bristow.

Motion carried that program be accepted and give rising vote of thanks to the Program chairman and committee.

Welcome—Mrs. Earl Jenson, McAlester.

Response—Mrs. Ralph Staten, Wewoka.

Greetings from W.N.A.C. Treasurer was read.

Acknowledgement of district and local presidents.

District President—Mrs. John H. West

Local—Cleo Pursell, Bristow; Mrs. Ralph Staten, Wewoka; Mrs. Mae Walker, Central Ave.; Mrs. Osie Higgins, Sulphur.

What Auxiliary has meant to local churches—By pastors present.

Recognition was given to out of State Visitors, Rev. and Mrs. Doyle Diphoye, Ft. Smith, Ark. and Mrs. A. D. Furgeson, Vilania, Ark.

The President brought a message on "The Peril of No Vision".

The following committees were appointed:

Registration:

Mrs. Alice Wood—Ada

Mrs. Albert Jarrett—McAlester

Mrs. Harold Bernhardt—McAlester

Credential:

Rev. Hattie Newman—Oilton

Mrs. Daisy O'Donnell—Wewoka

Mrs. Effie Wood—Ada

Mrs. Mae Walker—Oklahoma City

Resolution:

Mrs. Ossie Higgins—Sulphur

Mrs. Wanda Barnett—Oklahoma City

Mrs. Lee Guinn—Wolf

Finance:

Mrs. Cherry Fipps, Tulsa

Mrs. Kathleen Johns—Bristow

Mrs. Fern Duncan—Shawnee

Mrs. Peggy Blackburn—Oklahoma City

Obituary:

Mrs. Linnie Sparks—Sulphur
Mrs. Bertha Attaberry—Sulphur
Mrs. Maureen Harwell—Oklahoma City

Appreciation:

Mrs. Francel Shields—Oklahoma City
Mrs. Alice Holliday—Oklahoma City
Mrs. Mary Thompson—Wewoka

Plan of Work:

State Officers

Scripture Reading—Mrs. George Scott

Prayer—Mrs. Peggy Blackburn—Oklahoma City

After singing the Hymn: Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

Business session was adjourned until 1:30 p.m.

Benediction—Rev. Ralph Staten.

The worship service opened with singing led by Mrs. Kathleen Johns.

Duet—McAlester Church.

Prayer by Rev Lonnie Hall.

Message—Rev. Johnnie Postlewait, Turley — "Better Vision through use of Spiritual Glasses". Scripture Luke 5:4 and St. John 21:6.

Benediction—Rev. George Scott.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Afternoon session opened by singing "I want to be a Worker" and prayer by Mrs. Lela Crow, Tulsa.

Special Music—Capitol Hill Auxiliary.

"An Individual's Three Fold Vision"—Mrs. R. B. Tipton, Wewoka.

Solo—Mrs. Kathleen Johns.

Participants in "Spiritual Eye Clinic" conducted by president were: Rev. Cleo Pursell, Mrs. W. S. Mooneyham, Mrs. Mae Walker, Mrs. A. F. Fipps, Mrs. Ralph Staten.

Playlet "Vision" and Trio—Ada Auxiliary.

Credential Committee reported 315 Active members and \$63.00 dues. Also recommended we accept the Weleetka Auxiliary into our Convention.

Registration Committee reported 141 in Attendance.

Auditing committee reported treasurer's books in excellent order.
Resolution No. 1—

We recommend that this body approve the Allotment of \$240.00 made by the W.N.A.C. as our state's part of the indebtedness for the organ recently purchased for the Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee. We further recommend that this indebtedness be allocated to the district Convention and Auxiliaries according to membership strength.

Resolution No. 2—

We recommend that the officers shall be President, Vice President, Executive Secretary and Treasurer and that the title chairman replace title Vice-President, namely, (1) Enlistment and Promotion, (2) Youth Auxiliary (3) Study, (4) Program and Publicity, (5) Benevolence.

Motion carried president appoint committee for organ fund.

Organ Fund Committee

Cleo Pursell, Elsie Staten, Alice Holliday

Digested report read and accepted by executive Secretary and Treasurer.

The Stewardship Declamation Award was given to Miss Leota Kissee, Bristow.

Treasurer's report read. Motion carried to accept report.

Organ Fund Committee reported allocations as follows:

1st Mission -----	\$135.00	Center -----	\$ 30.00
1st Oklahoma -----	\$ 48.00	Weleetka -----	\$ 15.00
		Hopewell No. 2 -----	\$ 21.00

To be paid in three monthly payments.

Solo: Mrs. Mildred Cash—Shawnee

Prayer—Rev. John H. West.

Officers were elected as follows:

President—Mrs. Bessie Staires, Tulsa.
Vice President—Mrs. Effie Wood, Ada
Enlistment & Promotional Chm.—Mrs. Cleo Pursell, Bristow
Youth Auxiliary Chairman—Mrs. Marie Roberts, Sapulpa
Study Course Chairman—Mrs. Mae Walker, Okla. City
Program & Publicity Chairman—Mrs. Elsie Staten, Wewoka
Benevolence Chairman—Mrs. Reba Jo Tipton, Wewoka
Exec. & Treas. Chairman—Mrs. Cherry Fipps, Tulsa

Prayer of dedication by Rev. Doyle Dipboye.

Motion carried with Amendment that we have a Nominating Committee and that the president appoint same.

Nominating Committee

Mrs. George Scott
Mrs. Norma Cope
Mrs. LaVerda Mooneyhom
Mrs. Alice Wood
Mrs. Oleta Pate

Minutes were read and approved.

Motion carried to adjourn until next session—October 1953, at Norman, Oklahoma.

Benediction—Rev. E. S. Sunday.

REPORT

NUMBER SOULS SAVED through soul winning efforts—70.

Three New Auxiliaries Organized—Norman, Weleetka, Seminole.

Paid to Co-Labor -----	\$390.88
Literature -----	\$167.75
College -----	\$ 40.59
Orphanage -----	\$282.70
Missions -----	\$175.15
Superannuation -----	\$ 46.00
Other Money Spent -----	\$171.22
Total Disbursements -----	\$1,274.29
Total Receipts -----	\$1,417.09
Balance in Treasury -----	\$142.09

Mrs. Bessie Staires, President
Mrs. Cherry Fipps, Exec. Sec. & Treas.

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE. From long experience, we, the members of the Free Will Baptist denomination, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Jesus Christ, and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us as a church; and to preserve and maintain correspondence and co-ordination with us, do therefore ordain this Constitution for our better denominational government.

Article I

NAME: This organization shall be known as the OKLAHOMA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS.

Article II

PURPOSE: The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of the various bodies composing this State Association, and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in connection with the various bodies in the Association, or that may hereafter be represented therein.

Article III

REPRESENTATION: This State Association shall be composed of One (1) messenger from each church composing the subordinate associations and all regularly ordained ministers and deacons.

SEC. 2: This State Association shall have no power to fill vacancies in the delegation from any composite body.

Article IV

FINANCE: Each association shall send Five Dollars (\$5.00) for each elected delegate.

Article V

DISCIPLINE: This State Association shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine or practices that may properly come before it from any of the bodies composing said organization, furthermore if there be any question of discipline, doctrine or practices on the part of a subordinate association, delegates of that association shall not be seated until these questions have been settled to the satisfaction of the Credential Committee.

SEC. 2: Decisions of the Credential Committee may be appealed. All appeals coming before the State Association when sitting in a Committee as a whole. (2) By a special committee whose report shall be voted on without discussion.

Article VI

OFFICERS: The officers of the State Association shall consist of a Moderator, and Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, and Assistant Clerk, and an Executive Secretary who shall also serve as Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected at the close of each regular session.

SEC. 2: Committees, as necessary, shall be appointed by the Moderator, unless otherwise provided for, and shall hold office until their work is completed, or until their successors are elected.

Article VII

BOARDS: All standing boards shall be composed of Five (5) members who shall serve terms of 5, 4, 3, 2 and 1 year, exclusive of the General Board which shall be composed of one member from each subordinate association and the chairman of each standing board. The standing boards shall include the Executive Board, Mission Board, Christian Education Board, Publication Board, Superannuation Board, Sunday School Board, and the League Board.

Article VIII

DUTIES AND RULES OF STANDING BOARDS: 1. **Executive Board.** To this board is delegated the power to act in behalf of and for the State Association from one meeting to another for said Association, and shall have the power and authority to select such officers as might be deemed best for its own government and to carry out the plans and undertakings of the State Association. The board shall have power to fill vacancies that may occur in its own body.

To this Executive Board is further delegated power to collect funds and employ and superintend such work for the Field as may seem best, and the means on hand may warrant. They shall not convey or mortgage any real estate or personal property unless authorized by the State Association.

This Executive Board shall keep a record of all work done, money raised, meetings held, and make a full and complete report to the regular meeting of the Association and shall further receive, hold, manage, use, control, and convey any property entrusted to said State Association.

The chairman and secretary of said Executive Board shall sign all deeds and bonds, notes, etc., and any other papers by which the State Association is to become legally held.

The Board shall have the power to call the Association in conference by notifying each subordinate Association at least Ten (10) days prior to conference.

2. **General Board.** It shall be the duty of this board to meet with the executive board one day preceeding the State Association to hear the reports of the Standing Boards and to make recommendations to the state association. They shall also serve as a Credential Committee.

3. **Missions Board.** It shall be the duty of this board to work in connection with the national foreign and home mission boards, and to promote an active missionary program in and for the State of Oklahoma. They shall elect a treasurer who shall handle all mission money.

It will also be their responsibility to investigate and assist, if necessary, any new church. This board should thoroughly investigate the ability of a church to support an organization before assistance is pledged.

4. **Christian Education Board.** It shall be the duty of this Board to promote and encourage religious training in connection with our denominational institutions, and to encourage and plan Worker's Institutes. They shall also be charged with the responsibility of raising funds to promote Christian Education.

5. **League Board.** It shall be the duty of the State League Board to plan and assist in every way possible the League work throughout the state. It will also be their responsibility to promote an active League work in each subordinate association and to encourage League Rallies.

6. **Sunday School Board.** Their duties shall include the planning and operation of the State Sunday School convention and the encouragement of the organization of district conventions. They may carry through any plans they think wise to actively promote Sunday School work in the State.

7. Superannuation Board. This Board, working in cooperation with the National Superannuation Board and district boards, shall provide a definite program of support for retired ministers.

8. Publication Board. This Board shall have under their direction the printing of tracts, papers, books, pamphlets, etc., and shall encourage proper advertising in the local church.

Article IX

This Constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the State Association by a two-thirds vote of members present, provided proposed amendment or alteration be presented in writing to the body one day in advance.

Free Will Baptists

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. THE BIBLE—The Scriptures of the Old and New Testament were given by the 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 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 affected 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 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 endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:33) 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, JUDGMENT 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."

RULES OF ORDER

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 been made and seconded, and a member opposes its discussion, the Moderator shall put the question, "Shall it be discussed?" If negative, the question shall not be discussed.

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.

BY-LAWS

1. The clerk or assistant clerk, or in their absence, the senior minister in years shall call the Association into conference, and if a quorum is present the moderator, or in his absence, the assistant moderator shall take charge; and if neither of them is present, the senior minister in years shall act as Moderator.

2. It shall be the duty of the clerk to enroll the delegates to the Association, who shall present themselves with proper evidence of their rights to seats therein, and those enrolled by the clerk shall compose the Association.

3. It shall be the duty of every body belonging to this Association to send a letter to every annual session of this Association, reporting in the same its spiritual condition, benevolent work, and its statistics. Any body belonging to this Association, which shall fail to report itself for two successive sessions, may be dismissed from the Association by a two-thirds vote of all members present.

4. Each meeting shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and with prayer, and shall be closed with prayer.

5. By a two-thirds vote of all members present a ruling of the moderator can be overruled.

6. This Association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.

7. This Association shall sit with open doors except when it shall go into a committee of the whole.

8. Any person not a member of this Association may be allowed to take part in its discussions by obtaining permission from the moderator.

9. It shall be the duty of all the members of the Association to be present at the time appointed for each meeting, and any one wishing to retire shall first obtain leave of the moderator.

10. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee, provided the person nominated be elected.

11. The moderator shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.

12. Any one desiring to speak shall rise to his feet and address the moderator by the appellation, "Brother Moderator," but shall not speak further until recognized by the moderator.

13. No member of this Association shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes nor twice on the same subject without permission from the moderator.

14. These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any regular or adjourned session of this Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

