

MINUTES
of the
OKLAHOMA STATE FREE WILL
BAPTIST MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

Third Semi-Annual Meeting

Wetumka, Oklahoma

November 7-8, 1955

Fourth Semi-Annual Meeting

Ringling, Oklahoma

May 7-8, 1956

Fifth Semi-Annual Meeting

Tulsa, Oklahoma

November 5-6, 1956



FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented By

Rev. Ernest Harrison

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OFFICERS FOR 1937

Dr. Willard C. Day	President
Rev. Earnest Harrison	Vice-President
Rev. Esther Young	Secretary-Treasurer
Box 1735, Cushing, Oklahoma	
Rev. Dalton Akin	Asst. Secy.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Rev. H. B. Smith
Rev. Lonnie DeVoss
Rev. Bill Ketchum
Rev. Melvin Bingham
Rev. Ed Sunday

MEMBERSHIP

Regulars	22
Life Members	4
Guest Members	52

TREASURER'S REPORT

May 6, 1935 to Nov. 1, 1936

Receipts:

Balance Forward	\$41.00
May 6, 1935, Clinton	12.00
October 20, 1935, State Assn.	10.00
November 3, 1935, Wetumoka	27.00
November 9, 1935, to May 6, 1936, Mail	11.00
May 2, 1936, Ringling	8.00
Rev. Orant Jones, mail	1.00
Rev. Jim Christian, Mail	1.00
Total Receipts	\$119.00

Disbursements:

Brown Printing Co., April 15, 1935	\$ 33.30
Stamps, Envelopes, Cards, September 26, 1935	5.00
Stamps, Envelopes, Cards, November 14, 1935	3.00
Brown Printing Co., November 23, 1935	33.30
Henryetta Free Lance, May 7, 1936	15.20
Stamps, Envelopes, Cards, May 1, 1936	5.00
Erwin's Printing, October 31, 1935	15.00
Dona Cartwright, refund, October 31, 1935	3.00
Total Disbursements	\$114.70

Receipts of \$119.00 less Disbursements of \$114.70
leaves \$4.30 bank balance November 1, 1936

OFFICERS FOR 1957

Dr. Willard C. Day President
Rev. Earnest Harrison Vice-President
Rev. Homer Young Secretary-Treasurer
Box 1283, Cushing, Oklahoma
Rev. Delbert Akin Asst.-Secy.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Rev. N. R. Smith
Rev. Lonnie DaVoult
Rev. Bill Ketchum
Rev. Melvin Bingham
Rev. Ed Sunday

MEMBERSHIP

Members 58
Life Time Members 4
Total Membership 62

TREASURER'S REPORT

May 6, 1955 to Nov. 1, 1956

Receipts:

Balance Forward	\$41.00
May 6, 1955, Clinton	12.00
October 20, 1955, State Assn.	10.00
November 8, 1955, Wetumka	37.00
November 8, 1955, to May 6, 1956, Mail	11.00
May 8, 1956, Ringling	6.00
Rev. Omer Jones, mail	1.00
Rev. Jim Christian, Mail	1.00
Total Receipts	\$119.00

Disbursements:

Brown Printing Co., April 18, 1955	\$ 33.80
Stamps, Envelopes, Cards, September 28, 1955	5.00
Stamps, Envelopes, Cards, November 14, 1955	3.00
Brown Printing Co., November 25, 1955	33.80
Henryetta Free Lance, May 7, 1956	15.30
Stamps, Envelopes, Cards, May 1, 1956	5.00
Erwin's Printing, October 31, 1956	15.80
Donna Cartwright, refund, October 31, 1956	3.00
Total Disbursements	\$114.70

Receipts of \$119.00 less Disbursements of \$114.70
leaves \$4.30 bank balance November 1, 1956

MINUTES OF THE THIRD SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST STATE MINISTERS CONFERENCE, WHEN CONVENING WITH THE PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION CAMP GROUND, WETUMKA, OKLAHOMA, NOVEMBER 7-8, 1955.

November 7, 1955, 7:30 p. m.

THEME: COMMISSION OF THE MINISTRY

Scripture: Matthew 2:19-20

Song Service: Rev. Lynn Wood

Pianist: Rev. Waldo Young

Opening Song: I am resolved

Prayer of invocation was led by Rev. F. M. McCage.

Testimony service was led by Rev. Fred Kirby.

A Quarter, composed of Rev. Delbert Akin, Rev. Lynn Wood, Rev. Weldon Wood, and Rev. Homer Young sang "Glory Will Be Mine Some Day" and "At the End of the Trail," with Rev. Waldo Young at the piano.

We were led in prayer by Rev. Vard Wood.

Rev. Ross Hamar was introduced by the clerk to bring the evening message.

Text: Matt: 2:19-20. Subject: "Go Ye".

He was followed by Rev. Fred Kirby using for a subject, "Launch out in the deep."

After announcements were made the session was dismissed in prayer by Rev. N. R. Smith.

November 8, 1955, 9:30 a. m.

We were led in singing by Rev. Woodrow Matthews.

Rev. E. M. Kennedy was the pianist. The opening song was "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus."

Prayer by Rev. E. E. Morris.

The Devotional was given by Rev. W. V. Wood.

Rev. N. R. Smith, Progressive Association Moderator, gave the welcome.

Rev. H. E. Stiers, President, gave the response along with the presidents message.

Rev. E. E. Morris was introduced by the president to bring a message on "Building the Church Through the Ministry". He read Matt. 28:19-20 for a scripture text.

The Conference was opened for business.

The Credential Committee was dismissed with those applying for a Minister' Card.

Rev. Ben Scott dismissed in prayer.

November 8, 11:00 a. m.

Rev. Delbert Akin led the congregation in singing "He's a Wondreful Saviour."

Rev. E. M. Kennedy was pianist.

A Quartet, Delbert Akin, Woodrow Matthews, Weldon Wood, and Homer Young with E. M. Kennedy at the piano sang "All Alone."

The President introduced Rev. F. M. McCage for the morning message.

Rev. McCage used "The Divine Call of the Ministry" for a subject.

Rev. Rupert Pixley, Ft. Smith, Arkansas, dismissed in prayer.

November 8, 1:15 p. m.

The congregation was led in singing by Rev. Weldon Wood with Rev. E. M. Kennedy at the piano. The opening song was "I Am Thine O Lord".

Rev. Robert Duncan read Matt: 12:25-26 for the devotional.

Rev. E. M. Kennedy, Oklahoma Executive Secretary, was introduced by the president. Rev. Kennedy read a part of Acts 27 for his text.

Business Session:

Motion carried that the Credentials Committee report be accepted.

Credential Committee Report: #1 We recommend the following Ministers for membership in the Ministers Conference: Clay Richey, Jerry Rhodes, Lonnie Hall, W. E. Wilson, John Jones, Russell D. Allen, O. H. Foust, Lawrence Shull, J. E. Bean, Raymond H. McMiller, W. T. Roberts, W. L. Vickers, Billy Ray Wood, Roy Vanzant, W. C. Rupp, Julian Hawkins, Cecil E. Hammon, Gene Womack, Lonnie Davault, Paul Bowser, Fred Kirby, Lois Grace, Evert Brown, Don Ellis and William Stevenson.

#2. We recommend W. H. Carter as a Lifetime member.

Rev. J. R. Dodson brought a message on "Home Missions", and Rev. Lonnie DeVault brought a message on "Foreign Missions". They used Acts 1:8 for a scripture text.

The following officers were elected: President Rev. H. E. Staires; Vice-President, Rev. J. R. Dodson; Secretary and Treasurer, Rev. Homer Young; and the Asst. Secy., Rev. Russell Allen.

The following were elected to serve on the Credential Committee: Rev. E. E. Morris, Chairman; Rev.

James Minor, Clerk; Rev. Lonnie Davoult, Rev. Ed Sunday, and Rev. Earnest Kennedy; members. Treasurer's report was read and accepted. Motion carried that minutes be printed annually. The "Children's Home" was selected as the next meeting place.

Twenty-Four Ministers renewed their card for another year.

Out of State visitors in this Conference are: Rev. L. C. Pinson, Hobbs, New Mexico; Rev. Rupert Pixley, Ft. Smith, Arkansas; and Pete Connor, Napa, California.

MINUTES OF THE FOURTH SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST STATE MINISTERS CONFERENCE, WHEN CONVENING WITH THE CHILDREN'S HOME, RINGLING, OKLAHOMA.

THEME: POWER OF THE MINISTRY

Scripture: Acts 4:33

May 7, 1956 7:30 p. m.

Song Service was led by Rev. Weldon Wood with Rev. E. M. Kennedy at the piano. The opening song was "Leaning On Jesus". Rev. N. R. Smith led the congregation in prayer. The devotional was given by Rev. Fred Kirby. Rev. Gilbert Pixley arranged a trio and sang "He Knows."

The President introduced Rev. Elzie Yandell to bring the evening message.

Subject: "Let Every Soul Be Subject Unto the Higher Powers", Ephesians 1:19.

Rev. Gilbert Pixley dismissed in prayer.

May 8, 1956, 9:30 a. m.

Song Service: Rev. Weldon Wood

Pianist: Rev. E. M. Kennedy

Opening Song: "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Rev. Jerry Rhoades led in prayer.

Devotional and prayer was given by Rev. A. L. McAffrey. He read Romans 12:1-9. Rev. James Minor, Superintendent of Children's Home, gave the welcome. The response was given by Homer Young, Clerk.

Rev. Fred Kirby brought a message on "Power of the Ministry Through Preaching". He used Romans 1:16 for scripture text.

Letters were read from some of the members who couldn't attend.

The President appointed Rev. Russell Allen and Rev.

L A. Yandell to fill the vacancies on the Credential Committee.

The treasurer's report was read. Motion carried to receive the report as read. Motion carried to adjourn until 1:00 p. m.

May 8, 1956, 11:00 a. m.

Song Service: Rev. Weldon Wood

Pianist: Rev. E. M. Kennedy

Opening Song: Love Lifted Me

The Congregation was led in prayer by Rev. I. L. Florence.

A quartet composed of Delbert Akin, Weldon Wood, Woodrow Matthews, and Homer Young sang, "Keys to the Kingdom", with Rev. E. M. Kennedy at the piano. Gilbert Pixley, Delbert Akin, Woodrow Matthews and Homer Young sang, "Old Time Preacher Man".

The President introduced Rev. Gilbert Pixley to bring the morning message.

He read Matthew 12:41-42 for a scripture text. His subject was "Be Able to Look and See."

Rev. Pat Lairsey, Illinois, sang, "Shake Hands With Mother Again". Mrs. Lairsey accompanied him at the piano. The Conference was dismissed in prayer by Rev. Roy Hearon.

May 8, 1956, 1:15 p. m.

Song Service: Rev. Delbert Akin

Pianist: Rev. E. M. Kennedy

Opening Song: Blessed Assurance

Prayer: Rev. Sandy Shepherd.

The devotional was given by Rev. DeArthur Yandell. He read Psalms 148:1-3 and then led in prayer.

The Executive Secretary, Rev. E. M. Kennedy, brought a message using John 21:12 for scripture text.

The Credentials Committee report was read. Motion carried to receive report as follows: Recommendation No. 1. We recommend that this Conference receive the following as members: Rev. W. W. Fellabaum. Rev. Jim Christian, and Rev. Omer Jones. Recommendation No. 2. We recommend that the men who were submitted by name meet in person with the Committee.

The next meeting was set for November 5-6, 1956. The invitation from the Lawnwood Church was accepted for this meeting.

Motion carried that the next meeting be open Con-

ference.

Motion carried to give the officers a standing vote of thanks for program and encourage another for the next meeting.

The closing message was delivered by Rev. Don Ellis on the "Power of the Ministry Through Teaching". He read 1 Timothy 3:2 and 2 Timothy 2:2 for scripture text.

Six ministers renewed their Minister's Card.

The Conference was dismissed in prayer by Rev. Woodrow Matthews.

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST STATE MINISTERS CONFERENCE, WHEN CONVENING WITH THE LAWNWOOD CHURCH, TULSA, OKLA.

THEME: THE PROGRESS OF THE MINISTRY
Scripture: Isaiah 54:2

November 6, 1956

Song Service: Rev. E. J. Wilson

Pianist: Rev. Waldo Young

Organist: Rev. E. M. Kennedy

Opening Song: I Am Thine O Lord

Rev. Grady Hudson read Philipians 3:7 and 4:13 for the devotional and led the congregation in prayer. A special song was sung by Mrs. E. M. Kennedy, Rev. E. M. Kennedy and Rev. Grady Hudson, with Rev. Waldo Young accompanying them on the piano. They sang "What a Saviour".

Welcome: Rev. W. C. Day

Response: Rev. DeArthur Yandell

Rev. Earnest Harrison brought a message on "Progress of the Ministry Through the Local Church". He read Proverbs 23:23 for scripture text. Rev. Harrison told us of spiritual vitamins A-B-C-D-E-F which are needed for the local Church.

Temporary appointments to the Credential Committee were Rev. N. R. Smith and Rev. Jack Dodson.

Rev. E. E. Staires read a letter that he received from Rev. Russell D. Allen, Ardmore, concerning the Oklahoma State Association. Rev. Ed Sunday also received a letter from Rev. Allen. The letters were given to the Credential Committee.

Rev. Jerry Rhoades was elected as Asst. Clerk. Motion carried to adjourn.

Rev. Carl Walters dismissed in prayer.

November 6, 1956, 11:00 a. m.

Song Service: Rev. Don Jones

Pianist: Rev. Waldo Young

Opening Song: Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Prayer: Rev. Bill Ketchum

Rev. Ed Sunday was introduced to bring the morning message. His subject was "Progress of the Ministry". Scripture "Isaiah 54:2".

Rev. Ed Sunday asked the president, Rev. H. E. Staires, to lead in prayer before the message.

The morning worship service was dismissed by Rev. Delbert Akin.

November 6, 1956, 1:00 p. m.

The Song Service was under the direction of Rev. Don Jones with Rev. Waldo Young playing the piano. The opening song was "He Keeps Me Singing". Rev. Roy Hearon brought the devotional from 1 Cor. 13. and then led in prayer.

A partial report of the Credential Committee was read. Motion carried to receive report as read. See report.

The following officers were elected for 1957: President, Rev. Willard C. Day; Vice-President, Rev. Earnest Harrison; Clerk, Rev. Homer Young, and Asst.-Clerk, Rev. Delbert Akin.

Members of the Credentials Committee were elected as follows: Rev. N. R. Smith, Rev. Lonnie Davault, Rev. Bill Ketchum, Rev. Melvin Bingham and Rev. Earnest Kennedy.

The remaining part of the Credential Committee was read. Motion carried to receive as read. See report

Motion carried that Vice-President and Clerk appoint a committee of three to present a letter to Rev. Russell Allen (this was a recommendation of the Credential Committee). The appointments were Rev. Willard C. Day, Rev. Bill Ketchum, and Rev. Grady Hudson.

Rev. E. M. Kennedy submitted his resignation to the Credential Committee.

Motion carried to accept resignation. Rev. Ed Sunday was elected to fill his unexpired term.

The Minister's Conference requested the State Christian Education Board to investigate the possibility of buying the John Ross School.

Motion carried to pay expense of men making trip to Ardmore.

Rev. Wade Jernigan was introduced to bring a message on "Progress of the Ministry Through Evangelism". Scripture: Phil. 3:13-14.

The State Executive Secretary, Rev. E. M. Kennedy, brought us greetings from the Oklahoma State Association with an oral report of the State work.

Rev. Delbert Akin was introduced to bring the next message. His subject was "Progress of the Ministry Through Church Administration". Scripture: Romans 12:4-8. Before the message Rev. Akin sang a special number in song.

Motion carried to grant Rev. Wade Jernigan Honorary membership card to State Ministers Conference. Motion carried to grant Ministers over 65, in good standing, a life time card.

Treasurer's report read. Motion carried to receive report as read.

Motion carried to adjourn. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Doyle Dipboye.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Rev. Don Jones be accepted as a member of the Minister's Conference. Adopted
2. That Rev. Howard Gage become a member of the Minister's Conference when the Clerk receives a letter of good standing from his local Church. Adopted
3. That Rev. Fred Jones be accepted as a member of the Minister's Conference. Adopted
4. That Rev. Carl Hembree become a member of the Minister's Conference when the Clerk receives a letter of good standing from his local church. Adopted
5. That Rev. Robert Duck become a member of the Minister's Conference when the clerk receives a letter of good standing from his local Church. Adopted
6. That all Ministers in good standing with this conference at the age of 65 be granted a life time membership card. Adopted
7. That Rev. Hattie Newman become a member of the Minister's Conference when the Clerk receives a letter of good standing from her local Church. Adopted
8. That Rev. Odis Robison become a member of the Minister's Conference when the Clerk receives a letter of good standing from his local Church. Adopted

9. That Rev. E. B. Condit become a member of the Minister's Conference when the Clerk receives a letter of good standing from his local Church. Adopted
10. That Rev. Willard C. Day become a member of the Minister's Conference when the Clerk receives a statement from his local Church stating that he is in good standing. Adopted
11. That Rev. Leona Mayfield be accepted as a member of the Minister's Conference. Adopted
12. That Rev. Bill Little be accepted as a member of the Minister's Conference. Adopted
13. That Rev. Ralph Brown be accepted as a member of the Minister's Conference. Adopted
14. That Rev. E. J. Wilson be accepted as a member of the Minister's Conference. Adopted
15. That Rev. J. R. Shade be accepted as a member of the Minister's Conference. Adopted
16. That the Minister's Conference of Oklahoma Free Will Baptist order a letter written to Rev. Russell D. Allen, Ardmore, that he apologize to the Oklahoma State Moderator and Oklahoma State Minister's Conference for accusations made of said Moderator and said Conference. We also recommend that a committee be sent with the letter to receive his answer. If he fails to comply with same his Minister's card will be withdrawn. Adopted
17. That Rev. Alfred Coursey be accepted as a member of the Minister's Conference when the Clerk receives a letter of good standing from his local Church. Adopted
18. That Rev. Bill Ketchum be accepted as a member of the Minister's Conference when the clerk receives a letter of good standing from his local Church. Adopted
19. That Rev. Grady Hudson be accepted as a member of the Minister's Conference when the clerk receives a letter of good standing from his local Church. Adopted
20. That Rev. Charles Wilson be accepted as a member of the Minister's Conference when the clerk receives a letter of good standing from his local Church. Adopted

Signed, Committee

**MEMBERS OF THE OKLAHOMA STATE
MINISTER'S CONFERENCE**

Year of 1957

1. Rev. Delbert Akin, Ada, Oklahoma
2. Rev. Paul Argo, Tulsa, Oklahoma
3. Rev. Melvin Bingham, Tulsa, Oklahoma
4. Rev. Leroy Bowers, Shawnee, Oklahoma
5. Rev. Ralph Brown, Tulsa, Oklahoma
6. Rev. W. H. Carter, Bristow, Oklahoma, (Life-time)
7. Rev. Jim Christian, Stroud, Oklahoma
8. Rev. E. B. Condit, Muskogee, Oklahoma
9. Rev. Lonnie DaVoult, Holdenville, Oklahoma
10. Dr. Willard C. Day, Tulsa, Oklahoma
11. Rev. Doyle Dipboye, Turley, Oklahoma
12. Rev. Jack R. Dodson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
13. Rev. Robert Duck, Oilton, Oklahoma
14. Rev. Robert E. Duncan, Norman, Oklahoma
15. Rev. W. W. Fellabaum, Ratliff, Oklahoma
16. Rev. O. H. Foust, Ardmore, Oklahoma
17. Rev. Howard Gage, Pryor, Oklahoma
18. Rev. J. W. Gage, Prayor, Oklahoma (Lifetime)
19. Rev. Clyde Hamar, Okla. City, Oklahoma
20. Rev. Ross Hamar, Arapaho, Oklahoma
21. Rev. Lonnie Hall, Okmulgee, Oklahoma
22. Rev. Earnest Harrison, Allen, Oklahoma
23. Rev. Roy Hearon, Drumright, Oklahoma
24. Rev. Carl Hembree, Sapulpa, Oklahoma
25. Rev. Grady Hudson, Seminole, Oklahoma
26. Rev. Don Jones, Nashville, Tennessee
27. Rev. Fred Jones, Sand Springs, Oklahoma
28. Dr. E. M. Kennedy, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
29. Rev. Bill Ketchum, Muskogee, Oklahoma
30. Rev. Fred Kirby, Enid, Oklahoma
31. Rev. Bill Little, Claremore, Oklahoma
32. Rev. Leona Mayfield, Tulsa, Oklahoma
33. Rev. James Murray, Clinton, Oklahoma
34. Rev. Hattie Newman, Jennings, Oklahoma
35. Rev. Don Payne, Tulsa, Oklahoma
36. Rev. Joe E. Payne, Tulsa, Oklahoma
37. Rev. Gilbert Pixley, Duncan, Oklahoma
38. Rev. Jerry Rhoades, Tecumseh, Oklahoma
39. Rev. W. T. Roberts, Tulsa, Oklahoma
40. Rev. Odis Robinson, Prague, Oklahoma
41. Rev. W. C. Rupp, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
42. Rev. J. R. Shade, Turley, Oklahoma
43. Rev. Clarence Shepherd, Butler, Oklahoma

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44. Rev. Joe Smith, McAlester, Oklahoma
 45. Rev. N. R. Smith, Wewoka, Oklahoma
 46. Rev. J. J. Slaten, Tulsa, Oklahoma
 47. Rev. H. E. Staires, Tulsa, Oklahoma
 48. Rev. William Stevenson, Henryetta, Oklahoma
(Lifetime)
 49. Rev. Roy Vanzant, Prague, Oklahoma
 50. Rev. Carl Walters, Miami, Oklahoma
 51. Rev. John H. West, Tulsa, Oklahoma
 52. Rev. C. C. Wilson, Sapulpa, Oklahoma
 53. Rev. E. J. Wilson, Tulsa, Oklahoma
 54. Rev. W. E. Wilson, Holdenville, Oklahoma
 55. Rev. Billy Ray Wood, Stratford, Oklahoma
 56. Rev. Weldon Wood, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
 57. Rev. DeArthur Yandell, Checotah, Oklahoma
 58. Rev. I. W. Yandell, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
(Lifetime)
 59. Rev. J. E. Yandell, Red Oak, Oklahoma
 60. Rev. L. A. Yandell, Tulsa, Oklahoma
 61. Rev. Homer Young, Cushing, Oklahoma
 62. Rev. Waldo Young, Henryetta, Oklahoma

COVENANT

We promise by the grace of God to love and support our brother minister to the advancement of the Gospel and Glory of God.

We will not be partakers of any sinful amusement, neither shall we conduct ourselves in any manner at any time that will bring reproach on the ministry or hinder God's cause.

We agree to faithfully discharge our obligations and duties, to study to show ourselves approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth.

Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ, and being called and chosen to the Ministry, we give ourselves to one another, by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We are willing by self denial, to promote the Gospel and by faith, endeavor to "Grow in Grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We agree to reprove with meekness and to watch over one another in love and affection, endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace. To be careful of one another's happiness, reputation, and ministerial success. Seek to strengthen and encourage one another, and at all times promote the success of the church and Gospel of our Lord and Savior. We will at all times hold Chris-

tian principles sacred, and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme, counting it our chief mission in life to carry God's eternal message to those who are dead in sin, that they may be resurrected by "Saving Grace."

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of Educational and Denominational enterprises, constantly praying and toiling for greater achievement for Christ. May the God of peace sanctify us blameless unto the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

By Laws

ARTICLE I

The clerk or assistant clerk, or in their absence the senior minister in years, shall call the ministers into conference. If a Quorum is present the President or in his absence the Vice-President shall moderate the meeting. If neither of these present, the senior minister in years shall be in charge.

ARTICLE II

It shall be the duty of the clerk to enroll the ministers of the conference. Ministers shall present themselves with proper evidence of their rights to seats therein, and those enrolled by the clerk shall compose the conference. In case of questionable representation the case under question shall be referred to the Credential Committee.

ARTICLE III

It shall be the duty of each minister belonging to this conference to be active in pastoral or evangelistic services (disabled and retired ministers excepted). Any minister belonging to this conference shall report in each session in person or by letter, and failing to do so for two successive sessions shall be subject to discipline.

ARTICLE IV

Each conference shall be opened by reading a portion of God's word and prayer, and each session shall be closed with prayer.

ARTICLE V

By a two-thirds vote of the members present a ruling of the President may be overruled.

ARTICLE VI

This conference shall sit with open doors, except when it shall go into a committee as a whole.

ARTICLE VII

No member shall absent himself from the conference during its meeting without permission from the President.

ARTICLE VIII

No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of a committee, unless person nominated is not elected.

ARTICLE IX

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

ARTICLE X

Anyone desiring to speak shall rise and address the President by the appellation. "Brother President", but shall not speak further until recognized

ARTICLE XI

No member of this conference shall be allowed to speak more than five minutes, nor twice on the same subject without permission from the President.

ARTICLE XII

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

Constitution

ARTICLE I

This Minister's Conference shall be called The Oklahoma State Free Will Baptist Minister's Conference, and shall be composed of Ordained Free Will Baptist Ministers who are regular members of some Orthodox Free Will Baptist Church in the State of Oklahoma.

ARTICLE II

The officers of this conference shall be: President, Vice-President, Clerk, Asst. Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually.

ARTICLE III

This conference shall have the power to discipline its members.

ARTICLE IV

Every ordained minister in the State of Oklahoma should be a member of this conference and is required to report in each session in person or by a letter. Every member shall be required to carry a card of identification and recommendation from this conference, and said card to be issued annually.

ARTICLE V

This conference shall meet Semi-Annually.

ARTICLE VI

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session.

ARTICLE VII

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

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

This Minister's Conference shall be called The Oklahoma State Free Will Baptist Minister's Conference, and shall be composed of ordained Free Will Baptist Ministers who are regular members of some Outpost Free Will Baptist Church in the State of Oklahoma.

