# MINUTES of the 167th Annual Session of the OLD MOUNT ZION ASSOCIATION of FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Convened at the Association Building May 1-3, 2008 with Elder Paul Payne presiding.

The 168th session of the Old Mount Zion Association will convene at the Association Building on Thursday evening, April 30, 2009 at 7:00 pm. with Elder Lonnie Burks to give the introductory message. On Friday, May 1 at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm and Saturday, May 2 at 9:00 am. The association convenes the Thursday before the first Sunday in May.

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# OFFICERS AND STANDING BOARDS 2008-2009

Randy Burris-1 year Dwayne Lane-2 years Jerry Sadler-3 years\* Clark Snow-4 years Calvin Stewart-5 year

Jerry Bromley-1 year\* Jason Scott-2 years Wally Vanderlip-3 years Dusty Rhodes-4 years Brad Spurlock-5 years

Wade Graham-1 year Jimmy Baker-2 years Lester Harp-3 years Jeremy Bowerman-4 years Jeff Reeves-5 years

## **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

479-659-0167 479-789-5149 479-636-4758 479-756-5281 479-444-0998

479-200-3535

479-750-8983

479-750-9272

479-601-5780

#### **HOME MISSION BOARD**

## YOUTH CAMP BOARD

479-770-6696 479-789-2813 479-839-2943 479-756-5734 479-601-3935 479-738-2003

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Stephen O'Neal-1 year Lane Hayner-2 years\* Randy Bradley-3 years Mike Coffman-4 years Kevin Smith-5 years 479-636-2223 479-751-9084 479-445-4503 479-756-5171 479

## TRUSTEES OF ASSOCIATION PROPERTY

Noel Self-1 year Randy James-2 years Eldon Bagwell-3 year Gene Ditmore-4 years William Maze-5 years

\*denotes partial term

MODERATOR-Paul Payne ASSISTANT MODERATOR-Eddie Davis CLERKS-Carla Henson and Ruthie Jackson RADIO PASTOR-Eddie Davis NEWSLETTER-Aaron Kettner MISSION EMERGENCY-Mary Johnson ASSOCIATION BUILDING 479-756-6070 479-359-2099 479-789-5713 479-789-5891 479-248-1379

479-751-9383 479-927-3960 479-751-2570 479-789-2779

# **OLD MT. ZION PASTORS AND CLERKS**

Mt. Zion (1866)

Pastor-Robert Arnold 21461 War Eagle Rd. Springdale, AR 72764 Ph. (479)756-3919

Pastor-Ellis Doyle 17185 Dennis Mitchell Rd. Garfield, AR 72732 Ph. (479)359-3160

Pastor-Lester Harp 19243 Avila Rd. Springdale, AR 72764 Ph. (479)756-5734

Pastor-Ryan Stokes 10063 Hwy. 265 S. Fayetteville AR 72701 Ph. (479)

Pastor-Brad Spurlock 309 Summer St. Lowell, AR 72745 Ph. (479)770-6696 Christian Home (1892)

Pilgrim's Rest (1911)

Hope (1945)

**Freedom (1950)** 

Clerk-Willie Ann Puryear 21349 Spring Valley Rd. Springdale, AR 72764 Ph. (479)789-2413

Clerk-Bessie Jones 392 Madison 8284 Huntsville, AR 72740 Ph. (479)789-2308

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Pastor- Jason Scott 1502 B Thrush Springdale, AR 72764 Ph. (479)750-8983

Pastor-Randy Burris 1275 W. Laurel Rogers, AR 72764 Ph. (479) 659-0167

Pastor-Wally Vanderlip 4460 Old Wire Rd. Springdale, AR 72764 Ph. (479)750-9272

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Huntsville (1952)

Phillips Chapel (1952)

## **Rogers (1953)**

#### Fayetteville First (1956)

Ph. (479)451-0931

Clerk-Janice Smith 103 Northview Ave. Huntsville, AR 72740 Ph. (479)738-2916

Clerk-Charlotte Jenkins 2116 Dee Springdale, AR 72762 Ph. (479)751-8099

Clerk-Virginia Van Meter 1105 Geneva St. Rogers, AR 72758 Ph. (479)631-2832

Clerk-Melissa King 10455 Horan Rd. Fayetteville, AR 72701 Ph. (479)839-4264

Pastor-Dwayne Lane PO Box 388 Rogers, AR 72757 Ph. (479)789-5149

#### Pastor-

Ph. (479)

Pastor-Stacey Villines 35959 Hwy. 295 Hindsville, AR 72738 Ph. (479)789-2727

Pastor-Loyd Thomas PO Box 202 Winslow, AR 72959 Ph. (479)634-7790

Pastor-Jamey Doyle 18174 Ruddick Ln. Garfield, AR 72732 Ph. (479)359-3981

#### Clifty Chapel (1958)

## New Sulphur (1958)

Faith (1962)

## West Ridge (1965)

#### Pea Ridge (1967)

Clerk-Wilma Obenshain 11855 Cottage Hill Rd. Rogers, AR 72756 Ph. (479)789-5411

Clerk-Sherry Vinson 13446 Pete Lee Rd. Farmington, AR 72703 Ph. (479)267-2581

Clerk-Phyllis Taylor PO Box 842 Lowell, AR 72745 Ph. (479)770-4607

Clerk-Linda Hipes 11020 N. Hwy. 170 Farmington, AR 72730 Ph. (479)267-3144

Clerk-Alta Barnard 11794 Rolling Dr.

Pastor-Thomas Loyd 708 Hankins Lowell, AR 72745 Ph. (479)770-8988

Pastor-Clark Snow 1918 Lancaster Springdale, AR 72762 Ph. (479)756-5281

Pastor-Lester Shadrick PO Box 4 Greenland, AR 72737 Ph. (479)443-1609

Pastor-Doug Adkins 812 Marcus St. Bentonville. AR 72712 Ph. (479)271-7480

Victory (1967)

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Calvary (1971)

Greenland (1973)

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Bentonville (1978)

Rogers, AR 72756 Ph. (479)925-2632

Clerk-Estelle Skelton 19407 Ramer Rd. Springdale, AR 72764 Ph. (479)756-5093

Clerk-Tina Rogers 1000 N. Gutensohn Springdale, AR 72762 Ph. (479)756-5877

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Ph. (479)

Pastor-Paul Payne 3017 E. Emma Ave. Springdale, AR 72764 Ph. (479)751-3047

Pastor-Jerry Sadler 4508 Hillside Dr. Rogers, AR 72758 Ph. (479)636-4758

Pastor-Garvin Reid 13588 Galley Hollow Rd. Siloam Springs, AR 72761 Ph. (479)640-8816

Pastor-Eldon Bagwell 23502 Trails End Hindsville, AR 72738 Ph. (479)789-5713

# Durham (1981)

Westside (1985)

## Eastgate (1986)

Lowell First (1991)

Clerk-Clara Smith PO Box 550 Elkins, AR 72727 Ph. (479)677-2005

Clerk-Garry Rhodes 13134 Goose Creek Rd. Farmington, AR 72730 Ph. (479)267-2900

Clerk-Joan Roberts 18951 Shady Grove Rd. Siloam Springs, AR 72761 Ph. (479)736-2013

Clerk-Ann Villines PO Box 51 Lowell, AR 72745 Ph. (479)770-6115

## Land of Goshen (1998)

Clerk-Diann Bowerman 20355 Cedar Bluff Rd. Fayetteville, AR 72703 Ph. (479)789-5348

# ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Association called to order by the Moderator and in his absence, by the Clerk.
- 2. Introductory Sermon.
- 3. Appointment of Committee on Committees by the Moderator.
- 4. Letters from churches composing the Association called for, read, and messengers invited to seats.
- 5. Corresponding Associations.
- 6. Right hand of fellowship.
- 7. Call for letters from newly organized churches.
- 8. Reading of the Rules of Order by the Moderator or Clerk.
- 9. Election of permanent officers.
- 10. Reports of committees appointed last Association and other unfinished business.

- 11. Report of new committees.
- 12. New Business.
- 13. Reading and adopting minutes.
- 14. Adjournment.

## **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. Ordained ministers, deacons, church clerks and delegates of Old Mt. Zion Association, when present, are invited to seats, allowed to take part in debates on all subjects, and to vote. Visiting ministers, deacons and delegates are invited to seats, allowed to take part in debates on all subjects, but not 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 be dismissed.
- 6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member, and the vote taken separately.
- 7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.
- 8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the Moderator.
- 9. All questions shall be decided by a majority vote of all members voting.
- 10. No member shall absent himself without special leave of the Moderator.
- 11. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected if necessary before the close of the Association.
- 12. At all future sessions of the Association, arrangements shall be made to insure two sermons, or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto, during each day of the session, and the chair shall announce just before adjournment, who shall preach.
- 13. These Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after the organization of the Association.
- 14. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular session of the Association.

# DELEGATES SEATED TO REPRESENT CHURCHES Brothers and Sisters

MT. ZION: Lena Phillips, Cynthia Arnold, Carolyn Phillips PILGRIM'S REST: Molly Bradley, Jimmy Whittle, Yvonne Whittle FREEDOM: Benita Yousey, LaWanda Ash, Ruby Ramsey HUNTSVILLE: Mary Lou Tice, Shirley Spurlock ROGERS: Doris Kramp, Mildred Herron, Virginia Phillips FAYETTEVILLE FIRST: Fletcher Williams, Lisa Vanderlip CLIFTY CHAPEL: Dorothy Comer NEW SULPHUR: Norman Fendhal FAITH: Naomi George. Phyllis Johnson, Ida Willis WEST RIDGE: Thelma Bromley PEA RIDGE: Chrissie Doyle, Linda Casey, Henry Reid VICTORY: Mae Harrison, Anne Smith CALVARY: Jo Ann Maze, Aaron Kettner, Charlie Kettner GREENLAND: Curtis Laningham, Jeanette Laningham, William Cooksey page 5 WESTSIDE: Mary Johnson, Judy Payne, Pam Hayner, alt. Lane Hayner EASTGATE: Carl Metcalf, Evelyn Metcalf, John Moore LAND OF GOSHEN: Gene Ditmore, Marshalene Ditmore

Christian Home, Hope, Phillips Chapel, Bentonville, Durham, Lowell: represented by letter only

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE 167th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE OLD MT. ZION ASSOCIATION

The 167th annual session of the Old Mt. Zion Association of Free Will Baptists convened on Thursday, May 01, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by moderator, Elder Paul Payne. Elder Loy Counts led the opening prayer. Brother Bill and Sister Mae Harrison led the opening songs, "A New Name in Glory" and "I Want to Know More". The Moderator read Acts 19:11-20 and made the point that the sons of Sceva had the same opportunity to accept Jesus, but they played games with God. Elder Eddie Davis sang "Give Them all to Jesus". A standing vote of thanks was given to Elder Clark Snow and the Calvary Free Will Baptist Church for the donation of chairs to the Association. Elder Wally Vanderlip brought the evening message from Joshua 24:14, and 15. His message reminded us that everything we do is a conscious choice and our choices are what makes us who we are. Worship service closed in an altar of prayer.

The Moderator called the business session to order and Elder Arther Galloway led in prayer to open. All standing delegates were seated and clerk, Carla Henson, read elected delegate from each church and they were seated. The appointment of the Committee on Committees was as follows: Chairman Elder Randy Burris, Elder Lowell Bradley, Brother Gene Ditmore, Elder Arther Galloway, and Elder Dwayne Lane. The business session was dismissed in prayer by Elder Ernest Johnson.

## FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 2, 2008-9:00 SESSION

The Moderator called the session to order. Brother Gene Ditmore led the opening prayer. Brother Bill Harrison, with Sister Mae at the piano, led the congregation in singing "Higher Ground" and "He Whispers Sweet Peace to Me". The Moderator's devotion continued with the sons of Sceva pointing out that their actions brought reproach upon the church. We need to uphold Jesus everywhere we go.

Business began with prayer led by Brother Steve Ash. Clerk, Carla Henson, read elected delegate list and delegates were seated. Assistant moderator, Elder Eddie Davis, read the Rules of Order.

Elder Larry Little reported the activities of a search committee appointed by the Executive Board. He explained the instructions given to the committee to search out other facilities and to see what was needed on Association grounds and then to have plans drawn up accordingly. They have looked at several facilities and will have plans drawn up and estimates made to be sent to all the churches before next quarterly meeting of the Association.

Election of permanent officers as follows: Moderator-Elder Paul Payne, Assistant Moderator-Elder Eddie Davis, Clerks-Carla Henson and Ruth Jackson.

Elder Eddie Davis gave the Radio Program Report. It was accepted and a vote of the body was in favor of continuing the radio broadcast. Elder Eddie Davis was re-elected to serve as

radio pastor.

The Committee on Committee Report was given by the Moderator and was accepted.

The Youth Camp Board Report was given by Elder Eldon Bagwell and was accepted. Brother Jeff Reeves was placed on the board to serve a 5 year term.

The Trustee Board Report was given by Elder Eldon Bagwell. He reminded the churches that this board takes care of all bills for associational grounds. Please make sure you contribute to this board. Report was accepted and Brother William Maze was placed on the board to serve a 5 year term. The Moderator instructed those who handle checks and letters to get them in to the clerks on time.

Business session was dismissed in prayer by Elder Jason Scott.

## FRIDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE, 11:00 A.M.

Worship service opened in prayer led by Elder Jim Spurlock. Brother Bill and Sister Mae Harrison led the congregation in singing "I'm Bound for the Kingdom". Elder Robert Arnold brought the message from Acts 17:22-23. How much times have changed. In a country founded on God, we have too many people who do not know God. The only hope we have is in Jesus Christ. An altar call was given and service was dismissed in prayer and the food blessed by Elder Leon Hodge.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION, 1:00 P.M.

The business session was called to order by the Moderator and opening prayer was led by Elder Dwayne Lane. Bother Bill and Sister Mae Harrison led the congregation in singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms", "Learning to Lean", and "Come Unto Me". The Moderator's message continued his points about "Sceva's Boys" with the fact that their actions brought reproach upon their families.

Elder Dwayne Lane gave the Executive Board Report which was received. Elder Calvin Stewart was placed on the board to serve a 5 year term.

Elder Lowell Bradley read the Divine Service Committee Report and the 2007 committee was released.

The Mission Emergency Fund Report was given by Sister Mary Johnson and was accepted. Sister Mary was retained as the Mission Emergency Fund clerk.

Sister Judy Payne and Sister Mary Bromley were elected as delegates to the State Association in Batesville, AR on August 4th and 5th. Sister Doris Kramp was elected alternate.

Sister Shirley Spurlock read the Newsletter Report and stepped down as reporter. The report was accepted and Brother Aaron Kettner was elected as the Newsletter reporter.

Moderator, Assistant Moderator, and Sisters from Rogers Free Will Baptist volunteered to clean the Association building for the next year of meetings.

The business session was dismissed in prayer by Brother Wayne Casey.

## FRIDAY EVENING COMMUNION AND FEET WASHING SERVICE

The 7:00 service was opened by Elder Eddie Davis. Brother Steve and Sister LaWanda Ash led the congregation in singing "Come and Dine". Elder Eddie Davis sang "Wherever He Leads I'll Go". Elder Arther Galloway read John 6:53 and spoke on what we need to do is just what God wants us to do. People do not understand Communion Service because they do not commune with God. Feet Washing Service is not a custom it is what Jesus wants us to do. Elder Eddie Davis led the Communion and Feet Washing Service with 4 deacons serving.

There were 11 churches represented with 31 people attending.

## SATURDAY MORNING BUSINESS SESSION, MAY 3, 2008, 9:00 A.M.

The Moderator called the session to order and Brother Lane Hayner led the opening prayer. Brother Bill, with Sister Mae Harrison at the piano, led the congregation in singing "Heaven's Jubilee" and "That Glad Reunion Day". The Moderator completed his message on "Sceva's Boys", restating the points made.

The clerk read the delegate list and delegates were seated. Elder Wally Vanderlip gave the Home Missions Report which was accepted. Elder Brad Spurlock was placed on the board. Brother Don Parr from the Children's Home in Little Rock spoke.

The Christian Education Board report was given by Elder Randy Bradley and accepted. Brother Kevin Smith was placed on the Board to fill the 5 year term. Brother Lane Hayner was voted in to fill the 2 year term on the board. Brother Quentin Snoderly asked to step down from the board.

Elder Eldon Bagwell gave the Resolution Committee Report which was accepted. A standing vote of thanks to everyone who prepared lunch and all those who worked in the Association. The churches were reminded that if there are any documents or information of associational history, please consider donating them to the Association.

Brother Steve Ash gave the Non-represented churches report and it was accepted. Sister Chrissie Doyle gave the Finance Committee Report which was accepted.

Brother Don Nichols from Hillsdale College spoke. The Obituary Committee Report was given by Sister JoAnn Maze and accepted.

Vote carried to accept Elder Ellis Doyle back into the Association.

Elder Eldon Bagwell, Brother Duel Ramsey, and Sister Ruby Ramsey were elected as delegates to the Old Union Association.

The dismissal prayer was given by Elder Thomas Loyd.

## SATURDAY MORNING MEMORIAL SERVICE, 11:00 A.M.

The service opened in prayer by Elder Les Fletcher. Brother Bill and Sister Mae Harrison led the congregation in singing "Where We'll Never Grow Old" and "I'll Meet You in the Morning". Elder Eldon Bagwell read the names of those who had passed away in the past year. He then led the song "A Better Home Than This".

Elder Loy Counts exhorted us to honor those who served their generation. We should look at their lives and follow their example. He gave special thanks to Brother Bill and Sister Mae Harrison for their service and fine example. He brought the memorial message, Happy in Death, from Revelations 14:13 and 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18. The death of a child of God (those which are asleep) is happy because: 1. The reunion with family, Bible characters, and with Jesus. 2. The great reward of a new body and a new abode. 3. The great rejoicing! An altar call was given.

The service was closed in prayer led by Brother Brad Spurlock.

#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES**

Chair: Randy Burris, Lowell Bradley, Gene Ditmore, Arther Lee Galloway, Dwayne Lane Resolution Committee

Chair: Eldon Bagwell, Jim Spurlock, Robert Arnold, alt. Ellis Doyle Divine Service Committee

Chair: Lowell Bradley, Gene Ditmore, Randy Burris, alt. Dwayne Lane Non-represented Churches

Chair: Steve Ash, Wayne Casey, Bill Harrison, alt. Kenneth Lynch Finance Committee

Chair: Chrissie Doyle, LaWanda Ash, Doris Kramp, alt. Naomi George Obituary Committee

Chair: JoAnn Maze, Yvonne Whittle, Linda Casey, alt. Judy Payne

#### **REPORT OF DIVINE SERVICE COMMITTEE**

#### **QUARTERLY MEETING - AUGUST, 2008**

| Devotion:         | William Maze         |    |
|-------------------|----------------------|----|
| Alternate:        | Brian Doyle          |    |
| Message:          | Larry Little         |    |
| Alternate:        | Jerry Sadler         | •  |
| Special music ar  | nd donuts: West Ridg | ge |
| QUARTERLY MEETING | G - NOVEMBER, 2008   | -  |
| Devotion:         | Scotty Chronister    |    |

Alternate: Brian Ennis Message: Lester Shadrick Alternate: Ellis Doyle Special music and donuts: Pea Ridge **QUARTERLY MEETING - FEBRUARY, 2009** Fletcher Williams Devotion: Jack Watkins Alternate: Jason Scott Message: Alternate: Dwayne Lane Special music and donuts: Calvary

#### ANNUAL ASSOCIATION APRIL 30-MAY 2, 2009

Registration and Saturday morning donuts: Greenland

Thursday Evening Introductory Message: Thursday Evening Alternate:

#### Lonnie Burks Loy Counts

Friday Morning Worship: Friday Morning Alternate:

Friday Evening Communion and Feet Washing: Friday Evening Alternate: Communion and Feet washing preparations: Rogers

Saturday Morning Worship: Saturday Morning Alternate: Clark Snow Glen Faulkner

Leon Hodge Thomas Loyd

Eldon Bagwell Loyd Thomas

Lowell Bradley, Chairman

#### **REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD**

Balance as of February 1, 2008 was \$24,579.82. Deposits made were \$299.11 and the interest earned was \$11.96. Balance as of May 1, 2008 was \$24,890.89

## **REPORT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD**

District Competition was held on Saturday April 5, 2008 at Phillips Chapel. There were a total of 50 entries and 32 of those advanced to State competition to be held on Saturday, May 10, 2008 at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Russellville, AR.

| Chr                    | istian Education Board | Financial Statement |
|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Beginning Balance as o | f <b>2-2-</b> 08       | \$3,000.95          |
| Quarterly Deposits     | · .                    | +\$1,245.00         |
| Expenses for Quarter:  | ·<br>·                 | · ·                 |
| Supplies               | 450.00                 |                     |
| Medal/Plaques          | 316.00                 |                     |
| State Registration     | 1,170.00               |                     |
| <b>Overnight</b> Forms | 16.25                  |                     |
| Post Office            | 41.00                  |                     |
| Total Expenses         |                        | -\$1,993.25         |
| Balance as of 5-2-08   |                        | \$2,252.70          |
|                        |                        |                     |

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT**

Beginning Balance-Feb. 2008 Placed in CD for building fund \$10,407.40 -\$6,892.00

| Deposit for Building Fund |               | +\$931.00                        |
|---------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| New Balance               |               | \$4,446.40                       |
| Expenses:                 |               |                                  |
| Phone                     | 86.73         |                                  |
| Water                     | 54.84         |                                  |
| Electric                  | 372.73        |                                  |
| Luverl Day for mowing     | 170.00        |                                  |
| Propane                   | 449.06        | ·                                |
| Total Expenses            |               | - \$1,133.36                     |
| Interest Earned           |               | +\$1.13                          |
| Offering                  |               | +\$ 1,252.50                     |
| Ending Balance-May, 2008  |               | \$4,566.67                       |
| (Less t                   | the amount fo | or the Building fund \$3,635.67) |

|                 | <b>REPORT OF YO</b> | UTH CAMP BOAR |            |
|-----------------|---------------------|---------------|------------|
| Balance 1-01-08 | · ·                 | •             | \$7,789.63 |
| Expenses        | 479.50              |               |            |
| Deposits        | 1,433.44            |               |            |
| Balance 5-02-08 |                     |               | \$8,743.57 |
|                 |                     |               |            |

#### **REPORT OF RADIO PROGRAM**

Beginning Balance: Feb. 2008 Total Expenses: 650.00 Interest Earned 0.73 Deposits: 695.00 Current Balance: May 2008

\$1,739.92

\$1,785.65

## **NEWSLETTER FINANCE REPORT**

| Balance 8-1-07 | • •      | \$6,300.12 |
|----------------|----------|------------|
| Deposits       | 1,620.00 |            |
| Expenses       | 567.89   |            |
| Balance 5-5-08 |          | \$7,352.23 |

## **MISSION EMERGENCY FUND REPORT**

| Balance 2-2-08                            |        | \$2,475.98 |
|---|--------|------------|
| Deposits                                  | 530.45 |            |
| Interest Earned                           | 2.41   |            |
| Expenses: check to International Missions | 500.00 | · · ·      |
| Balance 5-2-08                            |        | \$2,508.84 |

May, 2006-May, 2007

Deposits Interest Expenses \$1,351.25 12.89 500.00

## **REPORT OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS**

August 04, 2007 - There were 23 ministers, 8 deacons, 3 clerks, 45 delegates, and 14 visitors for a total of 93 present. Special music was by Clifty Chapel and Brother Mike Coffman gave the devotion. Elder Randy Burris brought the message. All board reports were read and accepted.

November 04, 2006 - There were 29 ministers, 9 deacons, 6 clerks, 49 delegates, and 25 visitors for a total of 118 present. Bro. Luverl Day gave the devotion. Special music by the New Sulphur Church. Elder Lester Harp brought the message. All board reports were read and accepted. A resolution submitted by Westside Free Will Baptist Church regarding use of Home Mission Fund for building project was introduced and then tabled. The resolution was sent back to the Resolution Committee for rewrite.

February 02, 2008 - There were 24 ministers, 14 deacons, 4 clerks, 42 delegates, and 35 visitors for a total of 119 present. Brother Jason Shackleford gave the devotion. Special music by the Faith youth. Elder Stacey Villines brought the message. All board reports were read and accepted.

## **CLERK FINANCIAL REPORT**

| Beginning Balance May, 2007  |     | \$618.83    | ٠. |
|------------------------------|-----|-------------|----|
| Deposits                     |     | +\$4,644.00 |    |
| Expenses:                    | ••• | -\$4,514.47 |    |
| Clerk fees 660.00            |     |             |    |
| State/National Fees 2,860.00 |     |             |    |
| Minutes 860.69               |     |             |    |
| Postage and Supplies 133.78  | ·   |             |    |
| Ending Balance May, 2008     |     | \$748.36    |    |
| -                            |     |             |    |

#### **REPORT OF NON-REPRESENTED CHURCHES**

We, the committee on Non-Represented Churches find that all of the churches of the Old Mt. Zion Association have reported this year by letter and/or delegation.

We believe that fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ is important and that applies to not only our local churches but also to fellowship between the churches within our association. We also feel that Hebrews 10:25 can be applied on the associational level when it says, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching". Furthermore; we encourage our churches to represent by sending delegates, if at all possible, rather than representing by letter only. Discussions and decisions will take place at all business sessions and we believe that each individual church deserves the right to be informed and to have voting representation.

Steve Ash, Chairman

| FINANCE COMMITTEE  |                |           |   |              |     |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------|---|--------------|-----|
| Church             | State/National | Clerk     | Minutes                                 | # of Minutes |     |
| Mt. Zion           | \$130.00       | \$30.00   | \$40.00                                 | 20           | · . |
| Christian Home     | \$130.00       | *****     | \$50.00                                 | 25           |     |
| Pilgrim's Rest     | \$130.00       | \$30.00   | \$30.00                                 | 15           |     |
| Hope               | \$130.00       | \$10.00   | \$ 6.00                                 | 3            |     |
| Freedom            | \$130.00       | \$75.00   | \$60.00                                 | 30           |     |
| Huntsville         | \$130.00       | \$20.00   | \$60.00                                 | 30           |     |
| Phillips Chapel    | \$130.00       | \$10.00   | \$100.00                                | 50           |     |
| Rogers             | \$130.00       | ,<br>     | \$60.00                                 | 30           |     |
| Fayetteville First | \$130.00       | \$20.00   | \$50.00                                 | 25           |     |
| Clifty Chapel      | \$130.00       | \$20.00   | \$24.00                                 | 12           |     |
| New Sulphur        | \$130.00       | \$50.00   | \$40.00                                 | 20           |     |
| Faith              | \$130.00       | \$10.00   | \$60.00                                 | 30           |     |
| West Ridge         | \$130.00       | \$50.00   | \$30.00                                 | 15           |     |
| Pea Ridge          | \$130.00       | \$20.00   | \$40.00                                 | 20           |     |
| Victory            | \$130.00       | \$50.00   | \$60.00                                 | 30           |     |
| Calvary            | \$130.00       | \$20.00   | \$50.00                                 | 25           | · - |
| Greenland          | \$130.00       |           | \$100.00                                | 50           |     |
| Bentonville        | \$130.00       | \$10.00   | \$20.00                                 | 10           |     |
| Durham             | \$130.00       | \$15.00   | \$20.00                                 | 10           |     |
| Westside           | \$130.00       | \$20.00   | \$30.00                                 | 15           | • • |
| Eastgate           | \$130.00       |           | \$20.00                                 | 10           |     |
| First Lowell       | \$130.00       | \$10.00   | \$16.00                                 | 8            |     |
| Land of Goshen     | \$130.00       | \$25.00   | \$50.00                                 | 25           |     |
| TOTAL EACH:        | \$2990.00      | \$495.00  | \$1016.00                               | 508          |     |
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## **REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE**

Be it resolved that we, the Resolution committee recommend that the Old Mt. Zion Association: (1)give a standing vote of thanks to those that prepared and served a great lunch. (2)give all our officers a standing vote of thanks for doing a great job.

Chairman, Eldon Bagwell

#### **OBITUARY COMMITTEE**

We, the Obituary Committee have found that God has called 27 members and 5 non members by request, home to be with Christ this past year. Luke 14:14, "And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee; for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just."

JoAnn Maze, Chairperson

#### **PILGRIM'S REST**

Linda Gail Brasher attended the Pilgrim's Rest FWB church. Survivors include her husband Clyde; one son, Adam; one daughter Sabrina and husband Ronald Mounce; three brothers, Herman Jackson of CA, Bill Jackson and Jimmy Jackson both of Springdale; two sisters, Nadine Hamilton and Shirley Galloway both of Springdale; two grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren. (by request)

#### HOPE

Ina E. Hansen was a member of Hope FWB church. Survivors include one brother, Fred Keeney; three grandchildren; a daughter-in-law, Joan Hansen and 26 nieces and nephews.

#### FREEDOM

Verbal Clark attended Freedom FWB church. Survivors include two nieces, Lucy Kennedy and Jimmie Carswell both of KS. (by request)

John Clifton Howell Jr. Survivors include five sons, Johnny, Larry, Jimmy, Ted and Carl Howell; a daughter, Wanda Prater; three brothers, Omer, Bob, and Jim Howell; five sisters, Eupil Harp, Betty McChristian, Faye Weiser, Janice Krumholt and Inice Kelly; 13 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. (by request)

**Paul Howerton** was a member of Freedom FWB church. Survivors include two sons, Michael and Ed Howerton; two brothers, Dale and Grayson Howerton; two sisters, Betty Scott and Roberta Milby; and nine grandchildren.

Velma Ruth Robinson was a charter member of Freedom FWB church. Survivors include one nephew, Randall Crawford; two nieces Kirby Hamby and Rosemary Everhart.

# HUNTSVILLE

**Erah Dorothy Cline**. Survivors include two half-brothers, Marvin and Marion Boatright; two sisters-in-law, Lucille and Virginia Boatright; one niece, Betty Boatright. (by request) **Derald Elsmer Parks** was a member of Huntsville FWB church. Survivors include his wife Imogene; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Jack and Dorothy Parks and Johnnie and Earlene Parks; four sisters and two brothers-in-law, Velma Napier, Joyce and Glenn Roberts, Carolyn and Phil Hudspeth, and Terry Hall; his stepmother, Sylvia Dyer and eleven nephews and seven nieces.

## PHILLIPS CHAPEL

Fred Young Archer was a member of Phillips Chapel FWB church. Survivors include one son, John Archer and wife Carmen; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.

Elsa Edith Cook Grigg was a member of Phillips Chapel FWB church. Survivors include her daughter, Brenda Bagwell and husband Duane; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Gary W. Hathorn attended Phillips Chapel FWB church. Survivors include his wife, Linda; a son, Gary Dwayne Hathorn; a brother, J. T. Hathorn; two sisters, Ellie Barlett and Peggy Roslin; and two grandchildren.

Thelma Hobbs was a member of Phillips Chapel FWB church. Survivors include one son, Don Burke; one daughter, Jo Bond; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; 13 greatgreat grandchildren.

## **NEW SULPHUR**

James David Crockett was a member of New Sulphur FWB church. Survivors include his wife, Doris; two sons, Daniel Crocket and Ronald Adamson; four daughters, Nancy Montgomery, Julie Hicks, Nita Ladd, and Patricia Watts; a sister, Carolyn Barnett; 13 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Sue Etta DeVore was a member of New Sulphur FWB church. Survivors include her husband, Jim; two sons, Carl and Craig DeVore; a daughter, Tamera Massey; two brothers, Alfred and Ralph LaRue; a sister, Velma Gray; three grandchildren and four greatgrandchildren.

Wilma Lee Dobbs was a member of New Sulphur FWB church. Survivors include her husband, Daryl; four sons, Billy, Barry, Brian, and J.C. Dobbs; two brothers, Robert and Donald Pergeson; and four grandchildren.

Betty Faye Long was a member of New Sulphur FWB church. Survivors include a son, Michael Shumate; a daughter, Tisha Baran; a brother, Larry Long and four grandchildren. Effie Lee Mae Cox-Masterson was a member of New Sulphur FWB Church. Survivors include a son, Johnny Cunningham; two daughters, Brenda Jordan and Shelia Browers; a brother, Edmond Masterson; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

**Iva "Speedy" Pointer** was a member of New Sulphur FWB church. Survivors include two sons, Bobby and Glen Williams; two daughters, Ethel Drain and Patsy Davis; two brothers, James and Franklin Jordan; two sisters, Ida Perkins and Nina Kisor; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**Vesta Mae Spenser** was a member of New Sulphur FWB church. Survivors include three son, Ronald, Dennis, and Kenneth Spenser; three sisters, Shirley Ramey, Betty Viles and Margie Billings; eight grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

**Patricia Anne Spurgin** was a member of New Sulphur FWB church. Survivors include her husband, Larry; a son, Dan Smock; two daughters, Debbie Benish and Heather Sigmon; a brother, Wesley Jordan; her mother, Lois Jordan and five grandchildren.

**Clyde Owen Wood Sr.** was a member of New Sulphur FWB church. Survivors include his wife, Shirley; two sons, Clyde Wood Jr. and Rodney Williams; a daughter, Rhonda Stallcup; two sisters, Dorothy Mitchell and Debbie Holt; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

#### FAITH

Lula Belle Boudrey was a member of Faith FWB church. Survivors include two sons, Howard and Jack Boudrey; two daughters, Norma Engleman and Betty Williams; four sisters, Iva Boudrey, Edna Pierson, Joyce Smith, and Jean Curtsinger. **Rev. Rufus Odus Young** was a member of Faith FWB church. Survivors include his wife, Lottie; two daughters, Wilma Bowlin and husband Max and Wanda Walker; a brother, Leonard Young; sister, Bertha Hayes; 11 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

## PEA RIDGE

Barbara June Casey was a member of Pea Ridge FWB church. Survivors include her husband, Wayne; one son, Mark Casey and wife Teresa; one daughter, Delena Phillips; one brother, James Dean; two sisters, Sharon Schooley and Jo Ann Bailey.

## CALVARY

Beverly Calico was a member of Calvary FWB church. Survivors include two sons, Tony Satterfield and wife Sandy and Kenneth Calico and wife Tiffany; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren.

Connie Louise Hinkle attended Calvary FWB church. Survivors include her husband, Bud Jr.; two sons, Jimmy and David Ahrens; a stepdaughter, Cassidy Hinkle; her mother, Charlene McFerrin; a granddaughter; and three brothers, Montie, Jerry, and Tim McFerrin. (by request) Virginia Colene Tate was a member of Calvary FWB church. Survivors include her husband, George; three children, Georgie Tate, Calvin Tate and Angela Baier and husband Brad; three brothers, Alton Bowen, Leonard Bowen, and Jimmy Bowen; four sisters, Mary Madewell, Ina Ross, Wanda Smith and Linda Fitzner.

#### WESTSIDE

Rev. Andrew Jackson "Jack" Boyd was a member of Westide FWB church. Alma Jean Kilpatrick was a member of Westside FWB church. **Dorothy Lathrop** was a member of Westside FWB church. Thomas Henry Lathrop, Jr. was a member of Westside FWB church. Clifton Melvin Martin was a member of Westside FWB church.

## **CHURCH COVENANT**

Having been brought, as we believe, by the divine grace to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour and Preserver, we do now solemnly and joyfully covenant and agree by God's help to walk together in brotherly love.

We, therefore, enter into covenant as members of this church, and as Christians, that we will watch over each other in love, sharing together each other's joys and sorrows; that we will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, nor omit the great duty of prayer for ourselves and others; that by Divine assistance we will endeavor to bring up those under our care in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; that in all things we will strive to exemplify our profession by a corresponding practice, to abstain from all sinful conformity to the world, to be just in our dealings, faithful in our agreements, and exemplary in all our deportment; that we will abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating liquor as beverage; that we will

contribute cheerfully according to our ability, to support of the ministry, the expense of the church, the relief of the poor and the general spread of the Gospel.

In keeping this solemn covenant, may we ever enjoy the blessings and presence of the Great Head of the church, which is Jesus Christ the Saviour.

## CONSTITUTION

From long experience, we, the members of the Church of God (denominated Free Will Baptists) being regularly baptized upon profession of our faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and being convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate a union among us, and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, do therefore, ordain this Constitution for our better Church government.

Article 1. Membership-This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches of our union, not exceeding three messengers from each church, and upon producing letter, they shall be entitled to seats. All regularly ordained ministers, deacons, and church clerks of this Association becoming properly credentialed and in full fellowship and good standing in the church of which they are members, shall be entitled to seats as a delegate, when present, by virtue of their office.

Article 2. Name-The members thus chosen and assembled with the ministers and deacons, to be denominated the Old Mt. Zion Association of Free Will Baptists being composed of the several churches of our union, the Association having no power over the churches reserving the right of withdrawing from any church becoming disorderly.

Article 3. Letters-Letters from the different churches representing are to express their number in fellowship including the names and addresses of ordained and licensed ministers, the number of members received upon profession of faith, by letter of recommendation, by restoration or denominational choice; the number of members dismissed by letter, excluded,

and those having died since last Association. Churches, in sending their letters, may send obituaries of anyone who died during the year, that we may keep up the memorial to our dead.

Article 4. Dismissing Members-Our churches, upon granting letters of dismission to any of its members, shall require a notice from the church receiving said letter that it has been received.

Article 5. Officers-The Association to have a Moderator and an Assistant Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, and an Assistant Clerk-Treasurer, elected annually for a term of one year by the suffrage, and an executive committee of five, one member chosen each year for a term of five years, and that each member be an Ordained Minister in good standing of the Old Mt. Zion Association, who shall have the authority to transact any business transactions of the Association between sessions of the Association and make report to the Association annually.

## Amendment #1 to Article 5

Be it resolved that we amend Article 5 to read that no person can serve two consecutive terms on any standing board.

#### Amendment #2 to Article 5

Be it resolved that current Officers of the Association be retained through the present Association and any new Officers assume responsibilities immediately thereafter.

## Amendment #3 to Article 5

Be it resolved that we reorganize our leadership structure to elect a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk who will serve this body by presiding over the associational meetings at the annual session and the three quarterly meetings.

Article 6. New Churches-Newly organized churches may be admitted to the Association,

which are to petition by letter and delegates, and if, upon examination, they are found to be orthodox and orderly, they may be received into the Association, the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Article 7. Questions-No resolution from any church shall come under consideration of the Association unless it has been first considered in its own church and, if possible, a copy be sent to each church and the association clerk before the Association.

Article 8. Motions-Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Article 9. Minutes-The Association is to endeavor to furnish the churches the minutes of the Association in proportion to the amount paid by each church, the distribution to be made at the discretion of the Association.

Article 10. Clerk-It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the Association in a book to be kept by the Association for that purpose.

Article 11. Signature-The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needed, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the close of the Association.

Article 12. Amendments-Amendments of this Constitution may be made, when necessary, by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session.

Article 13. Non-attendance-The Association, in case of failure of any church to attend, shall inquire into the case.

#### Amendment #1 to Article 13

Be it resolved that churches that fail to be represented by delegation, or letter, for two consecutive years, be notified they will be dropped from our Association.

Article 14. Ordination of Ministers-Old Mt. Zion Association of Free Will Baptists accepts the wording of Epistles 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:6-9 as authoritative for guidelines

to Ordaining Ministers.

#### Amendment #1 to Article 14

Be it therefore resolved that we amend Article 14 of our Constitution in compliance of our State Constitution. That Old Mt. Zion Association of Free Will Baptists accept the wording of the Epistles to Timothy and Titus as authoritative, namely the interpretation of the phrase, "the husband of one wife", to mean that divorced personnel should not be ordained. (1 Timothy 3:2, 12; Titus 1:6)

#### Amendment #3 to Article 14

Be it further resolved that no woman be ordained as minister or a deaconess.

#### Amendment #4 to Article 14

Be it further resolved that we recommend to the Executive Board of this Association in their examination of candidates for ordination, to observe greater caution, and in agreement with the instructions of the apostles, "To lay hands suddenly on no man." (1 Timothy 4:22)

When a Church member acknowledges their call to the Ministry, they should be licensed by the Church of which they are a member for the period of one year prior to Ordination; or until they have proved themselves to the Church. When the member has proved himself, the church shall call for his Ordination.

That all Churches of Old Mt. Zion Association, in all Ordinations services of Ministers, comply strictly with the rules and regulations laid down by the Free Will Baptist denominations. Said procedure to be conducted by the Local Church.

#### Amendment #5 to Article 14

If any ordained minister of the Old Mt. Zion Association of Free Will Baptists at anytime be found guilty of misconduct, or disregard of any rule or ordinance set forth and practiced by

the Constitution of the Old Mt. Zion Association, the said party shall be dealt with according to "Article 14" of the Constitution of the Old Mt. Zion Association as follows:

1. After the local church has made a full and complete investigation as to the misconduct or other charges and the evidence proves to be true-he shall surrender his credentials and Old Mt. Zion ministers card to the local church or association until said misconduct or other charges have been investigated by the local church or Executive Board. (The local church clerk or associational clerk to hold said credentials and Old Mt. Zion ministers card.)

2. If after the period of not more than one year after the surrender of his credentials and Old Mt. Zion ministers card, the said party shall be contacted by the local church of which he is a member or by the Executive Board to try and make restitution. If the local church fails to deal with the charges, then the Executive Board will have the authority to deal with the charges. The Executive Board shall make this report to the regular session of the Associational body which will vote on the report as whether to revoke or return the credentials and Old Mt. Zion ministers card to said party.

## Amendment #6 to Article 14

Be it resolved that no minister be ordained without written approval of the Executive Board. Be it further resolved that all men who acknowledge their call to preach, upon being licensed, immediately report to the Executive Board. The Executive Board to assign them lessons covering the entire treatise of the Free Will Baptist. We recommend that some of our older ministers be used to administer these lessons. The candidate to meet at least once a month with said minister. Upon completion of lessons, candidate must agree fully with Free Will Baptist doctrine to be ordained.

#### Amendment #7 to Article 14

Be it resolved that the Association instruct the Executive Board not to approve any minister

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for ordination who uses tobacco in any form.

## Amendment #8 to Article 14

Be it resolved that Free Will Baptist ministers coming from another Free Will Baptist Association present a letter of good standing from the Association from which he is coming to the Executive Board upon examination to be admitted to the full fellowship of the Association.

Ordained ministers coming from another denomination wishing to unite with Free Will Baptists must first unite with a local Free Will Baptist Church of the Old Mt. Zion Association; and will be subject to the same examination by the Executive Board, and if found willing to accept the Free Will Baptist denominations' constitution, will be accepted into full fellowship of the Old Mt. Zion Association.

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

## (Permanently Printed)

Resolution #1: That attention be called to Article 3 of the Constitution of this Association, as terms of receiving members into the local church as, namely: (1)profession of faith; (2)by letter of recommendation; (3)by restoration; (4)by denominational choice.

Resolution #2: That Article 1, Membership, be amended to read: All regularly ordained ministers and deacons and church clerks of this Association becoming properly credentialed and in full fellowship and good standing in the church of which they are members shall be entitled to seats as a delegate, by virtue of their office.

Resolution #3: Be it resolved that we give adequate support and approval to Home Mission work in the bounds of the Old Mt. Zion Association such as assisting in organizing and

establishing new churches. Said work to be under the supervision of the Home Mission Board (amended August, 1979) consisting of five ordained ministers or deacons in good standing.

Resolution #4: (amended May, 2005) "Free Will Baptists understand the Bible teaches the following facts: On the day of Pentecost believers spoke with distinct foreign languages which were readily understood by the nationalities present. Tongues were given as a special gift to the early church as only one sign which confirms the witness of the gospel to unbelievers.

While tongues were bestowed by the sovereign will of God on some believers, all did not speak with tongues. When this gift was abused, it became a source of disturbance in the congregational meetings. To eliminate confusion and correct the error, Paul set particular guidelines for the Christian church to follow. The gift of tongues was neither an evidence of the baptism of the Holy Spirit, nor does it bring about sanctification. We believe that speaking in tongues as a visible sign of the baptism of the Holy Spirit is an erroneous doctrine to be rejected. Any implication of a "second work of grace" has never been tolerated in our fellowship of churches, and will not be permitted.

We teach and preach the fullness of the Holy Spirit and heed the scriptural admonition, "Be ye filled with the Spirit; Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; Giving thanks for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Resolution #5: Be it resolved, "Any church desiring a resolution to be voted on at setting of Association, send a copy of proposed resolution to each church and association clerk of Old Mt. Zion before Association convenes; that is, if possible."

Resolution #6: (amended) In view of the fact that our Youth Camp has become a reality, we recommend that "all churches" support both the Youth Camp and the Home Mission Board.

Resolution #7: Be it resolved that the moderator appoint three persons to direct the

registration on Thursday night and Friday morning and that they arrive early.

Resolution #8: That it be recorded in the minutes which church will be responsible for the Communion Service. They shall be responsible for the juice, bread and cleaning of supplies. If said church cannot serve, they must contact the moderator in time to get another.

Resolution #9: (Resolution #4 of 1977 Minutes) Be it resolved that the Old Mt. Zion Council Meeting be changed to a quarterly meeting convening on the first Saturday in November, February and May with three (3) elected delegates from each church attending to conduct any business necessary between annual sessions of the Association in August. (Annual Association now meets in May, therefore, quarterly meetings fall on the first Saturday in August, November, and February.) Services to begin at 9 a.m.

Resolution #10: We believe that Sunday School plays a very important part of the training of our people. Our churches need dedicated teachers who will follow 2 Timothy 2:15, and we recommend that our churches, who use literature, use Free Will Baptist literature.

Resolution #11: Be it resolved that all church letters in the Annual Association be mailed to the Clerk a week prior to the date of the Association, if possible.

Resolution #12: Be it resolved that any event, function, or activity to take place on the Association properties be supported by one of our Free Will Baptist Churches, being a member in good standing with our Old Mt. Zion Association, or Associational committees, and be approved by the Board of Trustees.

Resolution #13: Be it resolved that the Divine Service Committee be responsible for the Quarterly Council programs-choosing the speaker, his alternate and special singings for each Quarterly Council meeting.

Resolution #14: Be it resolved that the churches of the Old Mt. Zion Association give support and prayer to the work being done in the Hispanic community in Northwest Arkansas.

Resolution #15: Be it resolved that we the Resolution Committee recommend that the Old Mt. Zion Association make the King James, the only Bible acceptable for preaching, devotions, or talking point used in the Association meetings.

#### **"ARTICLES OF FAITH"**

1. God-We believe in one true and living Triune God; composed of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, equal in divine Essence, Purpose, Power and Glory. (St. John 1:1; 1 Cor. 8:6; St. John 10:30; 1 John 5:7.)

2. Christ-We believe that Jesus Christ is the divine Son of God, was with the Father and the Holy Spirit at the time of creation, left the Courts of Heaven and came to earth, took upon Himself the form of humanity, sin excepted, by being born of the Virgin Mary, manifested His power, was crucified, placed in Joseph's tomb, rose again the third day, completed the great plan of salvation, walked and talked with his disciples, publicly ascended to Heaven, and that He will descend again to gather His jewels home. (Isaiah 9:6; St. John 1:14; Luke 1:26-28; Matt. 14:13-21; Mark 16:9-19; Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-12; Mark 15:22-41.)

**3.** Holy Spirit-We believe that the Holy Spirit has visited true believers in all ages, and especially since the ascension for the Son back to the Father, and his coming on the day of Pentecost. Has taken up His office work among all nations of people, as a Divine Reprover, Comforter and Guide. (Judges 6:34, 11:29; St. John 16:8-14; Isaiah 63:10-12; Ephesians 4:30; Acts 8:17-20.)

4. The Bible-We believe the Bible, which is composed of the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments was given by inspiration of God, is our way-bill from earth to heaven, and the only infallible and inerrant rule of faith and practice. (2 Peter 1:19-21; 2 Tim. 3:14-17; Daniel 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Matt. 21:42.) 5. The Fall of Man-We believe that God created man good, gave a just law by which he should be governed, with the promise of reward for faithfulness and with penalties of punishment for disobedience. Gave man power of free moral agency to choose the right and reject the wrong. But our first parents heeded the voice of the great enemy of souls, voluntarily transgressed the law of God, fell with their posterity under the just penalty of the same, and were unable of their own power to extricate or save themselves from the great dilemma into which they had fallen. God gave them the hope of salvation through the coming of Christ. (Gen. 1:27, 2:16-17; Rom. 11:11-35; Rom. 5:18; Psalms 37:23-24.) 6. Redemption, Salvation, Adoption-We believe that Jesus Christ by His birth, death, burial, resurrection and ascension paid the purchase price for the redemption of the whole human race, arranged a pardon for all who came upon Gospel terms; and a law of adoption into the Kingdom of Heaven and eternal inheritance into the glorified Kingdom above. (Heb. 9:12; Gal. 3:13, 4:4-5; Titus 2:14; Heb. 1:4; St. John 3:16; Isaiah 45:22.) 7. Condition of Salvation-We believe that all persons dying in infancy and all idiots are saved by the atoning merits of the Son of God without any act on their part, that persons coming to the years of accountability, transgressing the law of God, must upon their part, exercise faith in Jesus Christ through repentance toward God, at the completion of which pardon takes place in the mind of the Father and by the Holy Spirit they pass through the ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the Lamb and are planted in the Kingdom of Christ. (John 3; Matt. 19:13-22; 2 Cor. 7:10; Luke 18:17; St. John 4:11-16; Psalms 98:3.)

8. Salvation Free-We believe that God desires the salvation of all; Christ died for all; the

Gospel invites all; the Holy Spirit strives for all; and whosoever will may come and be saved on the terms of the Gospel. (Rev. 22:17; 1 Peter 1:9-13; 1 Peter 2:9-24; Rom. 3:24.)

**9.** Baptism-We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of believers in water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, in which are represented the burial and resurrection of Christ; also represents our death to sin, and only those who have come under the presbytery of the elders are qualified to administer the same. (Matt. 3:14-16, 3:5-6; 1 Peter 3:21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10: 47; Matt. 28:19.)

10. Communion and Feet Washing-We believe that the Lord's Supper and the washing of the saints' feet are ordinances of the Gospel of Christ; The Lord's Supper was instituted by our Savior to commemorate His broken body and shed blood for the sins of the world and to show our remembrance of Him till He comes.

All Christians have a right to the Lord's Supper and should be invited. "Let a man examine himself and so let him eat."

The washing of feet was instituted by our Lord at the same time that Supper was instituted as an act of humility to show our love for each other, and both ordinances should be perpetuated by all Christians until His second coming. (Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:20-29; St. John 13:1-18; Matt. 26:26-29.)

11. The Sabbath-We believe that the Christian Sabbath should be observed as a day of rest and for the worship of God: that we should abstain from all sinful amusements and secular employments, works of mercy and piety excepted. (Exodus 20:11, 31:12-18; Deut. 5:12-15; Ezek. 20:21; Matt. 28:1; Luke 23:56; Acts 13:42-48; Mark 2:27.)

12. Call to the Ministry-We believe in a Divine call of the ministry; that God in His goodness and power of grace, impresses His ministers with the burden of lost souls to the extent that the call becomes irresistible with personal contentment; that when they yield to the call and exercise the native gifts according to the Scriptures, with full reliance upon Him. He accompanies them in person of the Holy Spirit to guide them in the way of truth and to bless their labors according to His purposes. (Jonah 1:1; Jer. 1:5; Mark 3:14; Acts 1:22-26; Matt. 28:19.)
13. The Invisible Church-We believe that the Invisible or Spiritual Church is the redeemed in the aggregate, is the family of God, is composed of all true Christians of every congregation from righteous Able to the restitution of all things from every kindred, nation, tongue and people. (Eph. 3:16-21; Heb. 12:22-23; 1 Peter 2:5; Eph. 2:20-22; Acts 2:47; Matt. 16:18.)

14. The Visible Church-We believe that a visible church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women, having obtained fellowship with the Lord and with each other, agreeing to keep up a good discipline and doctrine according to the rules of the Gospel. (2 Thess. 1:1; Acts 16:5; 3 John 1:10; Matt. 18:17; Acts 20: 28; Rev. 1:4, 11, 20.)

15. Perseverance-We believe that all true believers in Christ should persevere in divine graces, and in the knowledge of truth and that God's grace is sufficient to help them to overcome all the obstacles of life and that all the combined forces of the great enemy of souls on earth and in Hell (or in his eternal abode) are not able to pluck them from his hand so long as they walk in the path of duty: but those who sidestep and willfully refuse or neglect to perform their duty, they would backslide and if persistently continued would be eternally lost. (2 Cor. 9:10; 2 Peter 1:4-8, 12; 1 Peter 2:2; Rom. 8:35-39 Apostasy 2 Peter 1:8-9; 1 Cor. 10:1-13; Heb. 12:15-17; 1 John 5:16; Heb. 6:1-6; 1 Tim. 4:1-2; Heb. 3:12; St. John 15:1-7; Matt. 12: 31-32.)

16. Christ the Head of the Church-We believe that Christ is the Great Head of the

Church and that the government of the local church is with the body. (Col. 1:18-19; Matt. 16:18; Heb. 12:23; Matt. 21:42; Eph. 1:22; Acts 16:4-5.)

17. Sanctification-Sanctification is a work of God's grace, by which the soul is cleansed from all sins and wholly consecrated to Christ. It takes place in regeneration, and the Christian can and should abide in this state to the end of life, constantly growing in the grace and the knowledge of our Lord, Jesus Christ. (1 Cor. 6:11; 2 Thess. 2:13; Heb. 12: 14; Phil. 3:21; St. John 17:17-19; 2 Tim 2:20; 1 Thess. 5:19-23.)

18. The Resurrection-We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the righteous and the wicked. When the resurrection shall take place, the soul and body shall be reunited, the righteous shall be received into everlasting happiness to reign with God forever, but the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment. (Matt. 28:6; St. John 5:28-29; 1 Cor. 15:51-58.)

19. The Soul-The soul is endless, hence does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery, according to spiritual character here possessed. (Phil. 1:23; Luke 23:43; Rev. 6:9; Luke 16:19-25; Matt. 10:28.)

20. Judgment-We believe that there will be a general, universal judgment, when all men shall be judged according to their works whether they be good or bad, and that immediately thereafter, the wicked shall enter into everlasting punishment and the righteous into eternal happiness. (2 Thess. 1:4-9; Rev. 14:9-13; Luke 16:23; Rev. 21:8; 2 Cor. 5:10; Matt. 12:36-37; Rev. 20:12-13; Acts 17:31.)

## **OLD MT. ZION ASSOC. BOARD DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

Responsibilities and duties are set forth in the Constitution Article 5 and Article 14: (1) examination of candidates for ordination to the ministry. (2)assist the local church in dealing with any ordained minister guilty of misconduct. (3)request credentials and Old Mt. Zion ministers card of any minister not complying.

#### **HOME MISSION BOARD**

Responsibilities and duties as set forth in Resolution #4: "Be it resolved that we give adequate support and approval to Home Mission work in the bounds of the Old Mt. Zion Association such as assisting in organizing and establishing new churches. Said work to be under the supervision of the Home Mission Board consisting of five ordained ministers or deacons in good standing."

#### **YOUTH CAMP BOARD**

Responsibilities: (1)set dates for youth camp, skating, lock ins, fun days, youth services, workers banquets, and other youth related activities. (2)organizes all speakers for activities listed above. (3)facilitates, regulates, and delegates authority for all above activities. (4)makes sure grounds are in order for camp (light hot water heaters, check gas tank, dorms, bathrooms, playground equip.) (5)answers to the Executive Board and the delegates of the association.

#### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD**

Purpose and Responsibilities: The Christian Education (CE) Board was formed and is held page 22 responsible for the organizing and sponsoring of the District CTS Competition. In addition all funds designed for the CE Board are to be used for funding the District CTS Competition. The first Saturday in April is to be set aside for the District CTS Competition.

## TRUSTEES OF THE ASSOCIATION PROPERTY

Defined the roll of the Board of Trustees as: (1)overseers of the property and the maintenance of building and grounds of the Association Youth Camp grounds. (2)must approve the functions which take place on the Youth Camp grounds. The Association has a lock box with First Security Bank in Springdale.

| STATISTICAL INFORMATION |          |             |              |                  |
|-------------------------|----------|-------------|--------------|------------------|
| Church                  | Baptisms | New Members | Members Lost | Total Membership |
| Mt. Zion                | 0        | . 0         | 2            | 24               |
| Christian Home          | 0        | · 3         | 2            | 60               |
| Pilgrim's Rest          | 0        | 3           | 4            | 17               |
| Hope                    | 6        | 12          | 4            | 66               |
| Freedom                 | 0        | <b>4</b>    | 6            | . 112            |
| Huntsville              | 0        | 4           | 1            | 155              |
| Phillips Chapel         | · 2      | 0           | -3           | 373              |
| Rogers                  | 7        | 10          | 2            | 128              |
| Fayetteville First      | 0        | 2           | 2            | 47               |
| Clifty Chapel           | · 0 · ·  | 0           | <b>4</b> • 2 | 49               |
| New Sulphur             | 13       | 5           | 10           | 276              |
| Faith                   | 5        | . 9         | 20           | 53               |
| West Ridge              | 0        | 2           | 0            | 62               |
| Pea Ridge               | 3        | 15          | 0            | 51               |
| Victory                 | 3        | 8           | 7            | 246              |
| Calvary                 | 15       | 17          | 4            | 218              |
| Greenland               | 5        | 5           | 2            | 63               |
| Bentonville             | 0        | 9           | 9            | 80               |
| Durham                  |          |             |              |                  |
| Westside                | 4        | 2           | 4            | 130              |
| Eastgate                | 4        | 14          | 2            | <b>79</b>        |
| First Lowell            | 0        | 2           | 0            | 29               |
| Land of Goshen          | 4        | 2           | 0            | 29               |
| TOTAL                   | 71       | 128         | 88           | 2347             |

|                    |          | ORDAINED MINISTERS                                 |                      |
|--------------------|----------|--|----------------------|
| MINISTER           | AGE      | ADDRESS  | (479)PHONE           |
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| Bagwell, Eldon     | 71       | 23502 Trail's End WC 532 Hindsville, AR 72738      | 789-5713             |
| Bradley, Lowell    | 75       | 1505 Jean Springdale, AR 72762                     | 756-3978             |
| Bradley, Randy     | 44       | 1915 Dogwood Place Springdale, AR 72764            | 445-4503             |
| Bromley, Jerry     | 66       | 286 E. Bromley Ln. Winslow, AR 72959               | 200-3535             |
| Brown, Henry       | 81       | 203 N. Old Wire Rd. Lowell, AR 72745               | 751-0082             |
| Burris, Randy      | 64       | 1275 W. Laurel Lowell, AR 72764                    | 659-0167             |
| Chronister, Scotty | . 33     | 910 N. Gutensohn, Springdale, AR 72762             | 751-5163             |
| Cline, Norman      | 86       | 3101 Dyer Springdale, AR 72764                     | 751-5407             |
| Colville, Charles  | 81       | 1706 Horseshoe Springdale, AR 72762                | 756-6438             |
| Counts, Loy        | 69       | 2856 Denver Ave. Springdale, AR 72764              | 879-3677             |
| Coyle, Bruce       | 68       | 510 S. Neal Prairie Grove, AR 72753                | 846-5828             |
| David, Ross        | 60       | PO Box 695 Pea Ridge, AR 72751                     | 488-6145             |
| Doyle, Ellis       |          | 17185 Dennis Mitchell Rd. Garfield, AR 72732       | 359-3160             |
| Doyle, Jamey       | 37       | 18174 Ruddick Ln. Garfield, AR 72732               | 359-3981             |
| Easterling, Noel   | 93       | 5732 W. County Line Rd. Springdale, AR 72762       | 555-5701             |
| Easter, Bradley    | 33       | 15912 Corinth Rd. Garfield, AR 72732               | 451-0369             |
| Faulkner, Glen     | 63       | 905 Dogwood Prairie Grove, AR 72753                | 846-2978             |
| Fletcher, Les      | 00       | 1708 Alicia Ln. Springdale, AR 72762               | 799-7877             |
| Galloway, Arther   | 73       | 2718 McMillian Dr. Apt. B Springdale, AR 72762     | 872-2305             |
| Haffelder, Roy     | 61       | 2716 Memman DI. Apt. D Springdale, AK 72702        | 872-2305             |
| Hansen, Tommy      | 69       | 6739 Hwy. 45 Hindsville, AR 72738                  | 789-5444             |
| , <b>,</b>         | 58       | 19243 Avila Rd. Springdale, AR 72756               | 756-5734             |
| Harp, Lester       | 20       | 19245 Avna Ku. Springuale, AK 72704                | 100-0704             |
| Harp, Luke         |          | 1000 W. Lourol Dogers AD 72759                     |                      |
| Hodge, Leon        | 45       | 1000 W. Laurel Rogers, AR 72758                    | 750-2441             |
| Holder, Isaac      |          | 1007 Laurel Rd. Lowell, AR 72745                   |                      |
| Imler, Ernie       | 36       | 803 Andy St. Springdale, AR 72762                  | 756-9658<br>359-2099 |
| James, Randy       | 39<br>72 | 14968 N. Wimpy Jones Rd. Garfield, AR 72732        |                      |
| Johnson, Ernest    | 72       | 2343 Wagon Wheel Rd. Springdale, AR 72764          | 751-2570             |
| Lane, Dwayne       | 57       | P.O. Box 388 Rogers, AR 72757                      | 789-5149             |
| Little ,Larry      | 33       | 808 Custer Prairie Grove, AR 72753                 | 466-7808             |
| Loyd, Thomas       | 44       | 708 Hankins Ave. Lowell, AR 72745                  | 770-8988             |
| Lynch, Kenneth     | 69       | 2604 Trudi Place Springdale, AR 72762              | 927-3515             |
| Maddan, Greg       | 51       | 1161 Musket St. Prairie Grove, AR 72753            | 846-0848             |
| McKown, Jim        |          | 941 Penny Lane Springdale, AR 72762                | 700 0701             |
| Morris, Earl Dean  | 73       | 160 Madison St. Hindsville, AR 72738               | 789-2701             |
| Mudd, Terry        | 54       | 1008 N. 9th St. Rogers, AR 72756                   | 636-6016             |
| Payne, Paul        | 66       | 3017 E. Emma Springdale, AR 72764                  | 751-3047             |
| Rhodes, Dusty      | 27       | 13134 Goose Creek Rd. Farmington, AR 72730         | 601-5780             |
| Sadler, Jerry      | 57       | 4508 Hillside Dr. Rogers, AR 72758                 | 636-4758             |
| Scott, Jason       | 32       | 1502 B. Thrush Springdale, AR 72764                | 263-0716             |
| Shackelford, Phil  | 54       | 12774 Windsong Circle Bentonville, AR 72712        | 795-4244             |
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| Snoderly, Henry    | 55       | P.O. Box 18 Avoca, AR 72711                        | 451-1939             |
| Snow, Clark        | 40       | 1918 Lancaster Dr. Springdale, AR 72762            | 756-5281             |
| Spurlock, Jim      | 67       | 1092 Madison 6615 Huntsville, AR 72740             | 232-5864             |
| Stewart, Calvin    | 61       | 2223 S. Brandi Circle Fayetteville, AR 72701       | 444-0998             |
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| Thompson, Johnnie |     | 169 Madison 6601 Huntsville, AR 72740        | 232-5964 |
| Vanderlip, Walter | 48  | 4460 Old. Wire Rd. Springdale, AR 72764      | 750-9272 |
| Villines, Craig   | 35  | 492 Madison 2590 Kingston, AR 72742          | 665-2464 |
| Villines, Stacey  | 39  | 35959 Hwy. 295 Hindsville, AR 72738          | 789-2727 |
| Watson, David     | 53  | 5564 Elm Springs Rd. Springdale, AR 72762    | 751-3279 |
| Williams, Troy    | 63  | 1600 Thrush Springdale, AR 72764             | 756-0714 |
| Zuniga, Ramon     | 43  | 2783 Chancery Place Springdale, AR 72764     | 872-1176 |
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| · · ·             |     | LICENSED MINISTERS                           |          |
| MINISTER          | AGE | ADDRESS                                      | PHONE    |
| Coffman, Michael  | 42  | 2041 S 43rd St. Springdale, AR 72762         | 756-5171 |
| Doyle, Brian      | 40  | 17319 Dennis Mitchell Rd. Garfield, AR 72732 | 721-9381 |
| Ennis, Brian      | 37  | 17173 Dennis Mitchell Rd. Garfield, AR 72732 | 359-2605 |
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We, the clerks, would like to encourage everyone to consider donating copies of old minutes to the Association. The old minutes are so interesting to read and they provide a history of our Association. The oldest minute in the possession of the clerk is a 1945 minute, the 104th annual session. Below we have collected a few interesting facts from the 1945 minute, we hope you will enjoy.

The 104th Old Mt. Zion Association was held with the Pilgrim's Rest Church on August 10, 11, and 12. The officers at that time were H. M. Knox as Moderator and H. R. Neely as clerk. The committees appointed were: Resolution, Finance, Arrangements for preaching, Temperance, Sunday School, Obituary, Condition of Non-represented churches, and the Union of Churches.

The churches represented in the 104th session: New Hope, Shady Grove, Christian Home, Cottage Hill, Clifty, Pilgrim's Rest, Mt. Zion, Clear Creek, Rock, Hickory Grove, Rose Hill, and Antioch. The newly organized churches were Farmer and Buckeye.

The Association also had a district evangelist who during this session was Elder C. O. Garrison. His report: revivals eleven; sermons preached 190; professions witnessed 58; additions to church 15; baptized 39; churches organized two with 27 members; deacons ordained four; funeral conducted 29; miles traveled 4315; money received \$1,149.90; expenses of car \$237. 92; Elder Cecil Garrison was re-elected as district evangelist that year.

It was in this year that a resolution was made that each minister in the Association keep a written record of his ministerial work during the year and report it to the next association to be published in the minutes as well as his age and years in service. This was kept up until the 1955 minute in which the ministers are listed but reports are not. \*\*Also in the 1955 minute, we found a Tent Committee report. Apparently the Association owned a tent and they reported on the use of the tent for associational meetings, revivals, and where it was being restored and when it was repaired.

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