

## MINUTES OF REND LAKE DISTRICT, JANUARY 17, 2009, NASON FWB

Bro. John Capps, interim pastor of Nason FWB Church, welcomed the Rend Lake District body on Jan. 17, 2009 by using 1 Cor. 1:26 to remind us that ordinary people are blessed to do God's work and by leading in prayer. The clerk called the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the body to order. Bro. Brad Ryan, moderator, recognize the standing delegates. Motions were made and seconded to seat the appointed delegates. Bro. Brad welcomed our visitors. He recognized the standing boards, asking Bro. Bryant Harris to serve on the Credentials Committee in the absence of Bro. Johnny Hollis, and Bro. Bob Irvin to serve for Bro. Marion Wells on the Business Committee. Informational reports were given by Bro. David Shores, IL promotional secretary, Bro. Matt Lappin, Rend Lake District executive board member, Bro. Bryant Harris, Camp Board president and Bro. Tom Harmon, IL Master's Men board member. Bro. Brad dismissed us for fellowship and committee work with prayer.

Following the break the Business Committee recommended the following:

1. recommend to replace Bro. Johnny Hollis on the Credentials Committee for the remainder of his term ending in 2010. The Committee would like to nominate Bro. Bryant Harris for this position.
  2. recommend an honorarium for today's speaker, Bro. Ivan Ryan, of \$75.00 with thanks for his efforts and travel.
  3. recommend to make donation to Camp Hope Chapel Project of \$500.00.
  4. recommend a standing vote of thanks to host church for hospitality and meal.
- Point of Information: Over the next months the Business Committee will be reviewing the Constitution and By-Laws for revision and housekeeping items to keep them current. Each of the recommendations were voted on and passed.

The Credentials Committee recommended the following:

1. that we issue lifetime cards of good standing to the following retired ministers: Bro. Clifford Hicks and Bro. Byford Campbell, the only stipulation being that they continue to believe and support FWB denominational beliefs.
2. that we issue cards of good standing to the following Brothers: Raymond Capps, Brad Ryan, Larry Cook, Billy Gene Outland, Bryant Harris, Randy Kash, John Pratt and Jamie Lee.
3. that the Minister's Report Forms be reviewed and possible changes made.

For information: Bro. Jamie Lee has started his study for ordination. Thanks was given to the IL Christian Education Board for furnishing the materials for this.

The report was received and each item passed.

A motion was made and passed to approve Bro. Matt Lappin as our executive board member this year. A decision was made to fill this position in our October meetings. A motion was passed to take an offering for the World Missions Offering in the worship service. Bro. Gene Outland expressed thanks to all who donated to the Paul Kettelman Fund during December and requested donations for the college. The meeting was adjourned.

Following the singing of "Happy Birthday" to Bro. Clifford Hicks, Bro. Curtie Fowler and Bro. David Shores, Sister Tommi Jo Ryan led the congregation in "Kneel at the Cross" and "Near the Cross", accompanied by Sister Doris Troutt. Tommi Jo and her daughters Kendall and Olivia sang "You are Good." Bro. Ivan Ryan from Arnold View FWB Church spoke to us about preaching the Word from 2 Tim. 4. He reminded us that what we preach to others benefits us also. Bro. Larry Cook dismissed us in prayer and offered the blessing on the food.

## MINUTES OF REND LAKE DISTRICT, APRIL 18, 2009, OAK GROVE FWB

The 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Rend Lake District opened by singing "Bind Us Together" led by Mike Kuhner. Pastor John Pratt of Oak Grove Church welcomed us using Psalms 81 to ask "Is God Still Talking?" and reminded us to listen when He does.

The clerk called the meeting to order. Bro Brad Ryan recognized the standing delegates. The clerk read the submitted information from the churches. Motion was made and passed to seat the elected delegates. Bro. John Pratt presented the treasurer's report. The moderator noted that at our January meeting we had given a \$188.00 offering for the World Missions Offering. Bro. Brad noted that all members of the standing boards were present. He appointed Jeanne Culli, Marilyn Irvin and Ruth Kirby to the Memorial Committee. Bro. Matt Lappin, executive board member, Bro. Bryant Harris, Camp board chairman and Bro. Tom Harmon, Illinois Master's Men chairman gave reports from their work. Bro. Tim Pierce prayed, and we recessed for refreshments and fellowship.

Resuming business the Business Committee report recommendations were:

1. We submit the attached revisions to the Constitution and By-Laws of this body and recommend that they be received and laid over until the next regular session of business where they shall be discussed and acted upon accordingly.
2. We recommend an honorarium of \$75.00 for today's speaker. We offer our thanks for his travel and efforts today.
3. We recommend our next meeting be held on July 11<sup>th</sup> at Bakerville to accommodate travel associated with the National Association of FWB.
4. We recommend a donation of \$200.00 be made to the Illinois Master's Men to continue to support the growth of this ministry.
4. We recommend a standing vote of thanks to the host church for their hospitality and coming noon meal.

Bro. Barry Simpson requested that his speaker's honorarium be sent to International Missions for the World Missions Offering April 26<sup>th</sup>. The other recommendations were adopted.

The Credentials Committee recommended:

1. that we issue cards of good standing to Stephen Gray and David Milburn.
2. that we recognize the ordination of Bro. John Capps upon completion of the following:
  - A. that he review the classes on Free Will Baptist doctrine.
  - B. that he fill out the questionnaire for ordination.

The recommendations were adopted. Bro. Brad noted Bro. Capps lifetime ministry and expressed pleasure that he was pastoring in our District.

The Memorial Committee report: We the memorial Committee wish to remember the following members: Bakerville: Gladys Newton, Dorothy Meyers  
Bear Point: Dorothy Kreis, Audra Hart, Donnie Berge  
Ina: Irene Jones  
Nason: Reva Allen, Virginia Morgan  
Oak Grove: Marjorie Dame

We request prayer in their memory and a song "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder".

We adopted the report by singing, followed by prayer by Bro. Larry Cook.

We gave the Oak Grove church a standing vote of thanks for their hospitality and food.  
A motion was made and passed to adjourn—prayer by Bro. Brad.

Worship began with the song "To God Be the Glory". Bro. Barry Simpson, director of development of International Missions, challenged us to share in church planting the world over. Bro. Brad dismissed us with prayer.

Bro. Brad Ryan, moderator  
Jane Harmon, clerk



## REND LAKE DISTRICT—BEAR POINT FWB CHURCH—JULY 11, 2009

Bro. Larry Cook, Bear Point pastor, welcomed us using Numbers 14 to encourage us to have a positive outlook in our Christian lives. Bro. Brad Ryan, moderator, led in prayer, and the clerk called the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Rend Lake District to order. Bro. Brad recognized the standing delegates, approved the church delegates, approved the minutes and thanked Bear Point for hosting this meeting. Bro. John Pratt gave the treasurer's report. It was approved. The moderator recognized the standing boards and asked Bro. Gene Outland to serve on the Credentials Committee today and for Bro. Bob Irvin to serve on the Business Committee. He appointed Donna Harrison, Audrey Kash and Marge Bunton to the Memorial Committee. Bro. Matt Lappin gave a report on the Executive Board meeting. Bro. Bryant Harris informed us that the Pratt's were now caretakers at Camp Hope and the Chapel building has begun. Bro. David Milburn dismissed in prayer for fellowship time.

Resuming business the Business Committee offered the following items to be received and acted upon accordingly:

#1a We recommend that the proposed constitutional changes be removed from the table.

#1b (If item 1a is carried) We recommend that the revised constitution and by-laws be adopted as presented and received at the last regular business session.

#1c (If item 1b is carried) As the adoption of the constitutional changes creates a new office of Assistant Clerk we would like to nominate Brenda Fowler to fill this position for the remainder of the current term.

#2 We recommend an honorarium of \$75.00 for today's speakers, Bridge Builders for the Cross and thank them for their travel and efforts today.

#3 We recommend a gift of \$100.00 to go to Rebecca Ham of the Bethel Church to support her in her upcoming mission work in Budapest, Hungary.

#4 We recommend sending \$250.00 to Shane and Joy Davison's account to relieve some of their deficit.

#5 We recommend a standing vote of thanks for the Host Church today for their hospitality and coming noon meal.

All these items were voted upon item by item and passed.

The Credentials Committee recommended:

#1 We recommend that we waive the remaining requirements for ordination, and that Bro. John Capps be ordained as he has completed what he was asked to do.

#2 That we amend Art. X Section C No. 3 by adding the word alcohol following the words "use of" and that the amendment be postponed until the Oct. 17, 2009 meeting.

#3 For information we would report that Bro. Jamie Lee is continuing in his study program.

Each item was adopted.

The Resolutions committee, in memory of the following members, Martha Oslager, Roy Kenneth Hall, Lawrence Lemons and former pastor, Bro. Cletis Reed, recommends that we stand and sing Precious Lord Take My Hand, followed by prayer led by Bro. Brad. We did so. Motion was made and carried to adjourn. Bakerville will host our Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. ~

Bro. Matt Lappin and Sister Brittany Bays led us in singing My Grace is Sufficient and He Is Lord to begin our worship service. They also sang a duet, When I Survey the Wondrous Cross, followed by prayer from Bro. Matt. Lauren Mygatt, a young girl from Bear Point, played Amazing Grace, her piano contest number for the Nationals—excellent job. Tim and Chaca Pierce and Mike Johnston from Bridge Builder for the Cross presented information from their June trip to Cuba. Their enthusiasm blessed us. Bro. Brad dismissed us in prayer.

Bro. Brad Ryan, moderator  
Jane Harmon, clerk

## MINUTES REND LAKE DISTRICT, OCT. 17, 2009, BAKERVILLE FWB

Pastor David Milburn opened the Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> Rend Lake District meeting at Bakerville FWB Church with a warm welcome, prayer and devotion from Ecclesiastes about trusting God for any results we need.

The clerk called the business session to order. Bro. Brad Ryan, moderator, welcomed, recognized and seated the delegates. The minutes and treasurer's reports were read and approved. Bro. Brad appointed Dolores Payne, Brittany Bays and Jackie Capps to the Memorial Committee. Bro. Matt Lappin gave the Executive Board report, Bro. Bryant Harris, the Camp Board report and Bro. Tom Harmon, a Master's Men report. Bro. Brad dismissed in prayer preceding fellowship and snacks.

After the recess the Credentials Committee reported that they had examined the material Bro. Jamie Lee has been studying and recommended he continue his study course. He has completed Old Testament Survey and Pastoral Ministry and is currently working on New Testament Survey and FWB Doctrine.

The Business committee submitted the following report:

We recommend that a motion to amend the by-laws as presented at the last meeting be moved to the floor and voted upon in due form. (Art. 10, C,3) "He must not ...use Alcohol..."

Election of officers: The nominating committee recommend the following:

Moderator: Bro. Brad Ryan

Asst. Moderator: Bro. Bryant Harris

Clerk: Jane Harmon

Asst. Clerk: Brenda Fowler

Treasure: Bro. John Pratt

Executive Board Member: Bro. Matt Lappin

Examining Committee: Bro. Raymond Capps (2012)

Business Committee: Bro. Jamie Lee (2012)

- We recommend a donation of \$300.00 be made to the FWB Bible College in honor of Bro. Gene Outland for his dedication and service to this ministry.

We recommend a standing vote of thanks for the host church today for their hospitality and noon meal.

The Memorial Committee recommended the body sing the last verse of "When We All Get to Heaven" in memory of Sis. Exie Doerr, Bro. Ralph Galloway, Sis. Armetta Gibbs and Jewell Lemmons. Their presence will be greatly missed, but we know that they are rejoicing in heaven.

All the reports were voted upon and passed. The meeting was adjourned.

In the morning service Bro. Brad stated that we were "honoring the Lord by honoring Bro. Gene and Sis. Peggy Outland for their 22 years of service in our district. Bro. Jim LeVault and Bro. Bob Harrison, deacons at the Outland's Hazel Dell church gave funny and moving testimony to their time with Bro. Gene and Sis. Peggy. Letters were read and memories were presented from folks in the congregation. The District presented them with a mirror for their new home in Tennessee to remind them that their lives have reflected Christ to so many of us. We also gave Sis. Peggy flowers and gifts. She thanked us, and Bro. Gene spoke of how the years between his teenage promise to God to work for Him and now have gone so quickly. He prayed for us and assured us he would continue to pray for us.