

MINUTES
of the
Smoky Mountains Association of Free Will Baptists

July 31, 2009 / August 1, 2009
First Annual Meeting held at Hardin Valley Free Will Baptist Church

The meeting was called to order by the moderator Teddy Waters and an opening hymn "Blessed Assurance" led by Darvin Oakes. Pray by Brother Allan Presley. Welcome was given by Reverend Waters and the devotion on Psalm 27:1-4 "Have a Heart like David – Come to Worship the Lord" by Darvin Oakes. Delegates were seated. The following visitor was recognized:

1. Kenneth Grindstaff – FWB Family Ministries

The moderator appointed the Registration Committee: Ella Waters, Sister Pate, and Bethany Shope

The Association convened and the following items of business were entertained and the following reports were received:

- ❖ The Oakes Campground
 - Junior Camp – Dec 27 & 28 / Senior Camp – Jan 1 & 2
- ❖ David B. Cox – Youth Report
 - Results of Youth Competition at National & financial report
- ❖ Jerry Hall – Presented Minutes and Financial Statement
- ❖ Placement Committee Report
 - Fairview – November 6, 2010 / East Sweetwater – February 6, 2010
 - Wooddale – April 24, 2010 / Hardin Valley – August 6 & 7, 2010
- ❖ Harley Brown – Credentials Committee report
 - Earl Dunn, Jr. accepted by unanimous vote of Board
 - Allan Presley excused from reporting by Board
 - Conference voting body voted to accept the Credentials Committee report

BUSINESS

- ❖ Donald Jarnigan presented recommendation of new officers from Nominating Committee
 - Ted Waters – Moderator
 - Bradley Capps – Assistant Moderator
 - Jerry Hall – Clerk
 - Song Leader – Kevin Shope
 - Assistant Song Leader – Sue Anderson
 - Conference voting body voted to accept the new officers as recommended by Nominating Committee
- ❖ Conference voted to have the Audit Committee report at the November 2009 Quarterly Meeting

Prayer requests taken - Meeting dismissed in prayer by Brother Norman Heath

WORSHIP SERVICE – 7:00 pm

Opened with Congregational singing "He Hideth my Soul" led by Susie Anderson
Prayer given by Bill Anderson
Congregation sang "He Whispers Sweet Peace to Me" led by Susie Anderson

The following State Reports were received:

- ❖ Kenneth Grindstaff – FWB Family Ministries
- ❖ Darvin Oakes – TN Home Missions
- ❖ Glenn Poston – TN Promotional Director report

Special Music by Hardin Valley Choir

Message by Glenn Poston – “Encouraging the People in the Ministry” II Corinthians 4:1-18

Three Truths: His Ministry is from God (1-7)

His Strength is from God (7-15)

His Present Suffering is Temporary compared to Future Glory (16-18)

David Cox – Dismissal Prayer and Benediction

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Called to order by Ted Waters, Moderator

Opening Hymns “O Come Let Us Adore Him” and “Something About that Name” led by Susie Anderson

Ron Mitchell gave the devotion from John 3:16

Recognition of Visitors:

Glenn Poston, TN State Promotional Office

Clayton Hampton, Home Missionary at Clarksville TN

Reports Given:

- ❖ Credentials Committee – 9 reports received and approved
- ❖ Presentation of License to:
 - ❖ Derrick Merritt
 - ❖ Dean Gipson
 - ❖ David A. Cox
 - ❖ Earl Dunn, Jr.
- ❖ Robert Hobbs – Walk-A-Thon for Missions

Dismiss to Meetings: Ministers, Youth, Masters Men, & WNAC by Darvin Oakes, pastor of host church

BUSINESS SESSION

Called to order by Ted Waters

Congregation sang “The Lily of the Valley” led by Susie Anderson

Offering taken while Jane Franks played the piano for the offering

New Business:

- ❖ At Large positions need to be filled for General Board
 - Robert Hobbs and Randy Hawk nominated
 - Motion carried
- ❖ Audit Committee appointed
 - Tammie Allan and Drema Hobbs nominated
 - Motion carried
- ❖ New Budget proposed – motion carried

Business Session ended

SATURDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Special Music presented by Hardin Valley Choir

Special Music presented by Janie Franks "Not Ashamed of the Gospel"

Message given by Clayton Hampton

Slide Presentation of the work at Clarksville TN – Two Rivers FWB Church

Message from Mark 14:3-9

Standing vote of appreciation given by Congregation to host church – Hardin Valley FWB

Dismiss with prayer for Lunch by Joe Russell

Submitted by Jerry Hall, clerk