

Minutes for Smoky Mountains Association of Free Will Baptists

February 4, 2017

Fairview Free Will Baptist Church – Heiskell, TN

Called to order by moderator, Daniel Fortman

Opening Hymn: “We Have Come into His House”, Led by Daniel Fortman

Prayer by Robert Hobbs

Welcome by Host Church Pastor: Ivan Kennedy

Devotions by Ivan Kennedy: Psalm 27, We have Hope, Keep our eyes on Jesus

Seating of delegates: Moderator

Visitors recognized: Mallory White Family Ministries; Glenn Poston, Tennessee Promotional Director; Steve and Judy Lytle; International Missions

Registration Committee was appointed: Tim Clevenger, Joe Russell

Dismissed to group meetings

Learning Session for Everyone: Rodney Holloman; Creative Ways to Reach YOUR Community

BUSINESS SESSION called to order by Moderator: Daniel Fortman

Hymn: “Because He Lives”, Led by Kim Bright

Prayer: Ivan Kennedy

Reports given:

- **State Report** – Glenn Poston; Spring Retreat March 2017, Welch New Campus set to open soon.
- **FWB North American Missions** – None
- **FWB International Missions** – Steve Lytle, Great Rejoicing: Missionaries accounts finished in Black. Some returning to field!!!! Praise the Lord and thank you to all who gave to missions. Keep it up!!
- **Welch College** – None
- **FWB Family Ministries** – Mallory White; 102 babies saved Hope Center, 155 Salvations last year. God working greatly through Family Ministries.
- **SMA Youth Board** – None. Rodney Holloman; Rally in the Valley at Hardin Valley in August!!
- **SMA Credentials Board** – Teddy Waters-Chairman, After Examination the Credentials Board does not recommend the Hispanic Ministry be considered for membership.
- **Registration Committee** – Tim Clevenger: reported 55 registered, Wooddale won the attendance award.
- **Treasurer Report** – Drema Hobbs. **Clerk:** Ruth Kennedy, Minutes provided.
Motion to accept by Rodney Holloman; second by Carl Jenkins; Motion carried

Old Business: None

New Business: Aaron Woods elected to Youth Board to fulfill term of Donnie Richardson who resigned.

Motion Carl Jenkins, Second Rodney Holloman.

Information: God’s Man Conference at Evergreen FWB Church Erwin TN March 24-25

Announcements: Next Quarterly Meeting: May 6, 2017 at Wooddale FWB Church, Heiskell, TN

Business Session Adjourned with Prayer by Moderator, Daniel Fortman

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Led by Host Church Pastor: Ivan Kennedy

Congregational Songs: “When We All Get to Heaven” led by Kim Bright

Prayer by Ted Waters and Offering Received \$117.00

Special Music: Tim Clevenger “Redemption Draweth Nigh”

Message by David Cox, “Unity: As Jesus and the Father are One”: John 17: 18-26

Worship service dismissed in prayer by Ivan Kennedy

Smoky Mountain Association Credentials Board Report

2/4/17

Minutes from 1/12/17 Meeting

Attendance

Teddy Waters, Chairman

Gerald Fender

Daniel Fortman

Ivan Kennedy

Rodney Holloman

Meeting

Ivan Kennedy led in prayer

Items Discussed

The only item discussed was to **recommend or not recommend the Hispanic church for membership in association.**

A motion was made to **not recommend** by Daniel Fortman, seconded by Ivan Kennedy. Vote was unanimous to not recommend.

Rodney Holloman made motion to adjourn. Members were unanimous to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by the credentials board.

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May 6, 2017

Wooddale Free Will Baptist Church – Knoxville, TN

Called to order by moderator, Daniel Fortman

Opening Hymn: “There is Joy in Serving Jesus”, Congregation

Prayer by Ivan Kennedy

Welcome by Host Church Pastor: Robert Hobbs

Seating of delegates: Moderator

Visitors recognized: Mallory White Hope Center; Rodger Castle Family Ministries; One Man Quarter, Chris Smith and family.

Registration Committee was appointed: Tim Clevenger, Joe Russell

Dismissed to group meetings

Learning Session for Everyone: Rodney Holloman; Creative Ways to Reach YOUR Community, Part 2: Matthew 28, Teach Them: Send Them, Understanding New Realities

BUSINESS SESSION called to order by Moderator: Daniel Fortman

Hymn: “My Redeemer”, Congregation

Prayer:

Reports given:

- **State Report** – None
- **FWB North American Missions** – None
- **FWB International Missions** – None
- **Welch College** – None
- **FWB Family Ministries** – Rodger Castle, Caring for 125 Children currently, Construction in Arkansas nearing completion, Honeysuckle Studios maternity house next to Hope Center raising funds to complete.
- **SMA Youth Board** – None. Rodney Holloman; Christian Powell for Annual Meeting August 5-6. Rally in the Valley at Hardin Valley on August 5th 6:00PM!!
- **SMA Credentials Board** – None
- **Registration Committee** – Tim Clevenger: reported 44 registered, Wooddale won the attendance award 21.
- **Treasurer Report** – Drema Hobbs. **Clerk:** Ruth Kennedy, Minutes provided.
Motion to accept by Rodney Holloman; second by Robert Hobbs; Motion carried

Old Business: None

New Business: Letter from First Free Will Baptist Church, Knoxville Tennessee withdrawing from Smoky Mountains Association.

The General Board Recommends changing the Reconciliation Board to a committee to be appointed by Moderator as needed. Motion: Rodney Holloman, Second: Robert Hobbs, Motion Carried.

Nominating Committee appointed for Annual Meeting: Daniel Fortman, Ivan Kennedy and Drema Hobbs

Announcements: Next is the Annual Meeting: August 4-5, 2017 at Hardin Valley FWB Church, Knoxville, TN

Business Session Adjourned

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Led by Host Church Pastor: Robert Hobbs

Congregational Songs: “Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Prayer by Earl Dunn, Jr. and Offering Received

Special Music: One Man Quartet

Message by Dr. Rodger Castle, “Be Careful What You Ask For!!”: Numbers 11:4-9, 14-15

Song: “Just As I Am” Congregation

Worship service dismissed in prayer by Robert Hobbs

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Ninth Annual Association Meeting
August 4-5, 2017 Hardin Valley Free Will Baptist Church

August 4, 2017 – Friday Evening Worship Service

Called to order by acting moderator and welcome by host Pastor, Rodney Holloman

Congregational Song “Victory in Jesus” led by Ladies Trio

Opening Prayer – Gerald Fender

Special Music by Aaron Woods and Erika Kirkpatrick

Congregational Song “Blessed Assurance” led by Ladies Trio

Offertory, Hardin Valley Ladies trio

Evening Message: Guest Speaker, Christian Powell, “Where is Our Burden for What Burdens God?” Romans 9

Prayer Time, Alter Prayer for all Pastors

August 5, 2017 – Saturday Morning 9:00AM

Call to order: acting Moderator Rodney Holloman

Opening Hymn: “He Set Me Free” led by Ladies Trio

Prayer: Carl Jenkins

Welcome by host Pastor, Rodney Holloman

Devotions by Brandon Glaspie: “The Christian Walk is a Journey” Numbers 9:15-23

Seating of the Delegates by Moderator, Motion David Cox, second Jeremy Bean, carried.

Visitors recognized:

- Glenn Poston, Promotional Director Tennessee State Association of Free Will Baptists
- Jacob Frady, Free Will Baptist Family Ministries
- Earl Langley, Welch College

Appointment of Registration Committee

1. Robert Hobbs
2. Joe Russell

Dismiss to Group Sessions.

Youth

Women Active for Christ

Master’s Men

Ministers

Business Session: Called to order by acting Moderator Rodney Holloman

- State Report: Glenn Poston, Updated on state operations and things are going well.
- North American Missions: None, Brother Glenn updated on Tennessee State Missions
- International Missions: Jeremy Bean, Missions finished 2016 in black financially!! Area Walk-A-Thon Saturday September 16, 2017 9:--AM-12:00 noon at Adair Park.
- Welch College: Earl Langley, Now in New Campus and Enrollment is UP!!

- Free Will Baptist Family Ministries: Jacob Frady, Arkansas Homes open and taking Children many families being ministered to from pre-born to Assisted Living.
- SMA Youth Board:
- SMA Credentials Board:
- Registration Committee: 54 Registered – Wooddale wins Attendance Award

Minutes of previous meeting provided for all by Clerk Ruth Kennedy

Treasurer Report provided by Drema Hobbs

- Motion to accept by Rodney Holloman; second Gerald Fender: motion carried

No Old Business

New Business: Rodney Holloman is acting Moderator, Daniel Fortman resigned 6/7/17, moved to North Carolina

General Board served as Nominating Committee as Daniel Fortman was Chair of Committee. Nominations were presented and voted upon as follows:

- Youth Board: Janice Richardson to replace herself for her second term, carried
- General Board At-Large member: Carl Jenkins to fulfill term of Ivan Kennedy through 2019, carried
- Credentials Board: Teddy Waters to replace himself for second term, carried. David Cox to fulfill term of Daniel Fortman through 202, carried
- Assistant Moderator: Ivan Kennedy, carried
- Moderator: election conducted by Ivan Kennedy, Rodney Holloman, carried

Business Session Adjourned by Moderator Rodney Holloman

Morning Worship Service, August 5, 2017

Opening prayer – David Cox

Opening hymn “To God be the Glory” led by Ladies Trio

Offering received, Prayer Ivan Kennedy

Special Music: Jojie Hutton, “How Great Thou Art”

Message: Guest Speaker Christian Powell, “Lord, I Can’t...but You Can!!” John 15:4-5, Psalm 90:1

Everyone encouraged to attend the Second Annual Youth “**RALLY IN THE VALLEY**” this evening at 6:00PM!!! Games, Food, Fun, Giveaways and a message by Christian Powell.

Closing Prayer and blessing for the meal: Robert Hobbs

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November 4, 2017

First Free Will Baptist Church of Oak Ridge – Oak Ridge, TN

Called to order by moderator, Rodney Holloman

Opening Hymn: “There is Joy in Serving Jesus”, Led by Pastor David Cox

Prayer by Tim Clevenger

Welcome by Host Church Pastor: David Cox

Seating of delegates: Moderator

Visitors recognized: Jerry and Barb Gibbs, International Missions. Mallory White, Family Ministries

Registration Committee was appointed: Tim Clevenger and John Tullos

Dismissed to individual Group Sessions

All Inclusive Breakout Session: Rodney Holloman; ALL IN: Planning your Yearly Calendar

BUSINESS SESSION called to order by Moderator: Rodney Holloman

Hymn: “The Family of God”, Led by Pastor David Cox

Reports given:

- **State Report** – By Ivan Kennedy for Glenn Poston sent via E-mail
- **FWB North American Missions** – None
- **FWB International Missions** – Jerry Gibbs, Praise the Lord for the Funding of Missions for 2017. The need for consistent giving is still great. God is blessing!! Many prayer needs, financial needs and support.
- **Welch College** – None
- **FWB Family Ministries** – Mallory White; God is working in amazing ways through Family Ministries. From Hope Center – Assisted living. Arkansas childcare thriving, John Reed Center progressing. Still need additional funds for Honeysuckle Studios/Maternity Home.
- **SMA Youth Board** – None
- **SMA Credentials Board** – Rodney Holloman-Clerk, Read minutes of meeting as report. Board working to encourage ministers to participate as required. Emphasis being place on attendance and participation.
- **Registration Committee** – Tim Clevenger reported 47 registered, First Free Will Baptist Church of Oak Ridge wins Attendance award.
- **Treasurer Report** – Drema Hobbs. **Clerk:** Ruth Kennedy, Minutes provided. Motion to accept by Ivan Kennedy; second by Imogene Nix; Motion carried

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Announcements: Next Quarterly Meeting: February 3, 2018 at Fairview FWB Church, Heiskell, TN

Business Session Adjourned by Moderator, Rodney Holloman

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Led by Host Church Pastor: David Cox

Congregational Songs: “If Jesus Goes With Me” led by David Cox

Prayer by Rodney Holloman and Offering Received

Message by Jerry Gibbs: “Speaking the Truth: Our messed up World, Spiritual Blindness, Trying to Escape Responsibility and the Line between Good and Bad”: II Chronicles 18, James 1:22, I Timothy 4:1-2

Prayer: Ivan Kennedy

Special Music: Steve Sammons.

Worship service dismissed and Blessing for Lunch by Teddy Waters