Minutes

Of The

One Hundred Twentieth Session

Of The

Social Band Association

Free Will Baptists

Meeting At The

Sharum Free Will Baptist Church

July 9, 1994

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Next Quarterly Meeting Will Convene At The Pocahontas First Free Will Baptist Church October 8, 1994

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OFFICERS - 1994-95

EXAMINING BOARD

Rev. Steve Trail	
Rev. J.W. Russell	Term expires 1998
Rev. Melvin Shelton	
Rev. Paul Bean	
Rev. Jeral Dean	

EXECUTIVE BOARD/PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Rev. Kenneth Winningham	Term expires 1999
Rev. Glen Campbell	Term expires 1998

Rev. John Turner	
Rev. Kerry Gandy	
Rev. Kerry Gandy	

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

Ann Ponder	
Yvon Phillips	
Letha Brown	
Ila Guntharp	
Irma Jones	—

SPINKS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

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Carmon Rushing	
Bill Anderson (2nd term)	
Melba Henderson	, —

EXECUTIVE/PROGRAM COMMITTEE PROGRAM FOR THE OCTOBER MEETING OF THE SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS MEETING AT THE POCAHONTAS FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

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Saturday - October 8, 1994

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9:00 a.m. Call to order	
Singing	—
Scripture Reading and Prayer	
Song	
Devotional	
Welcome	Host Church

Response
Seating of Delegates:
Recognition of Visitors:
Receive offering and designation for it:
Business: As time permits:
Intermission:
Call to order
Special Singing
Worship:
Message
Alternate
Lunch:
Call to order
Ordination Service:
Boards and Committee Reports:
Other business and announcements:
Adjournment:

HARVEST CRUSADE

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SUMMARY SHEET

Date -- October 2-5, 1994 Place -- Hoxie Community Center Time -- 7:00 p.m.

Evangelist -- Gordon Sebastian Wilson, N.C

Committee -- Carmen Rushing _____ Brooks Crossno

Fred Scott – Kerry Gandy - Chairman

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Assets

\$ 1779.12 -- Beginning balance
\$ 1025.00 -- Money sent in from Social Band Churches
\$ 1273.89 -- Crusade Offering

\$ 4078.01 -- Total Assets

Debits

[\$ 900.00] -- Evangelist
[\$278.16]-- Lodging/food
[\$ 279.35] -- Levan Hubbard
[\$ 135.68] -- Advertising /
Postage
[\$ 553.00] -- Equipment
Rental
[\$ 46.57] -- Miscellaneous

[\$ 2192.76] - Total Debits

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\$1885,25 ENDING BALANCE

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting held at the Sharum Free Will Baptist Church

July 9, 1994

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Rev. Nelson Henderson.

Bro. Allan Murray from Sharum led the congregation in song, with Sis. Gena Cullum from Sharum on the piano.

Bro. Nelbert Rickey from Sharum gave the scripture reading from I Thessalonians 2:1-2. He then led in prayer.

The various committees were appointed at this time. They were:

Nominating Committee: Rev. Kerry Gandy; Rev. Leroy Scudder; and Bro. W.H. Cox.

Financial Committee: Rev. Dale Blackwell; Rev. Roger Daniels; and Bro. Alden Jones.

Committees were dismissed at this time.

Bro. Allan Murray led the congregation in song, singing "Ring the Bells of Heaven".

Rev. Gene Cullum from Sharum gave the devotion, taking his text from Ephesians 1. He then led in prayer.

Rev. Gene Cullum gave a heartfelt welcome.

Rev. Nelson Henderson, from Pocahontas First, gave the official response.

The business sessions began by the seating of the delegates. The delegates numbered as follows: seated delegates, 55; standing delegates, 58, for a total of 113 delegates.

Rev. Nelson Henderson recognized two visitors. They were: Bro. Roy Thomas from Home Missions Department at National Headquarters and Bro. Jonathon Forrest, youth minister at Walnut Ridge First.

A motion was made and seconded for the following churches to host the quarterly meetings for the next year:

October 8th:	Pocahontas First
January 14th:	Jonesboro First
April 8th:	Old Reyno
July 8th:	Walnut Ridge First
The motion carried.	č

Information on the tax number was given. Reports were read at this time.

SUNDAY SCHOOL/CTS REPORT

Prepared by clerk from letters.

With 26 churches reporting, 26 churches report an active Sunday School program, with a total enrollment of 1,660 people for an average attendance of 64.

Twelve of the 26 reporting churches have a total of 546 people enrolled in CTS, for an average of 46.

A motion was made and seconded to receive this report. Motion carried.

HARVEST CRUSADE FINANCIAL REPORT

Rev. Kerry Gandy from Sutton gave the financial report. A motion was made and seconded to receive this report. Motion carried.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Harvest Crusade: Bro. Edington resigned, and Rev. Fred Scott was nominated. A motion was made and seconded to receive Rev. Fred Scott. Motion carried.

Youth Committee: Sis. Melba Henderson and Rev. Jimmy Kiser were nominated. A motion was made and seconded to receive Melba Henderson and Jimmy Kiser. The motion carried.

Scholarship Committee: Bro. Carmen Rushing to replace himself. A motion was made and seconded for Bro. Carmen Rushing's term to expire in 1997. The motion carried.

Woman's Auxiliary: Sis. Ann Ponder was nominated for her term to expire in 1999. A motion was made and seconded to receive Ann Ponder. The motion carried.

Executive Board: Rev. Kenneth Winningham was nominated for his term to expire in 1999. A motion was made and seconded to receive Rev. Kenneth Winningham. The motion carried.

Examining Board: Rev. Steve Trail was nominated for his term to expire in 1999. A motion was made and seconded to receive Rev. Steve Trail. The motion carried.

Assistant Clerk: Sis. Shirley Smith was nominated. A motion was made and seconded to receive Shirley Smith. The motion carried.

Clerk: Sis. Janet Gandy was nominated. A motion was made and seconded to receive Janet Gandy. The motion carried.

Assistant Moderator: Rev. Fred Scott was nominated. A motion was made and seconded to receive Rev. Fred Scott. The motion carried.

Moderator: Rev. Nelson Henderson was nominated. A motion was made and seconded to receive Rev. Nelson Henderson. The motion carried.

OBITUARY REPORT

During the past year, God has seen fit to call from our midst the following members of our Social Band Association:

Arbor Grove: Clear Lake: Dena Williams Dovie Henson

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Elnora: Grandview: Jonesboro First: Mountain Home First: Northside: O'Kean: Old Reyno: Paragould:

Pocahontas First: Sharum:

Sutton:

Thorn Grove: Walnut Ridge First:

Warm Springs:

Betty Ann Snow Lena Merideth Kathy Ritchey; John Lee Pope Geraldine Davey Bill Black; Ruby Rexroad Sadie Ball Charlene Whims Fred Wilburn; Violet Textor; Winona Swithernan; Bernice Griggery; Topsy Cook; Textor Elsie Bennett Earl Garner; Edwin Bibb; Debbie Crays; Pringle Dean Duel Robinson; Roy Pierce; Jasper Persiful; Ruth Smart; Benny Walls Adrian Spinks; Virginia Smith Mary Jane Wheeless; Inez Weeks; Dee Twombly Freda Grissom; Ray Creason

The congregation stood for a moment of silent prayer, then Rev. Stan Gray from Pioneer led in prayer.

A motion was made and seconded to give a letter of good standing to Rev. Roger Harwell for the Beacon Free Will Baptist Church in the Greater Kansas City Association. The motion carried.

Point of Information: Next ministers' meeting to be held at Sharum on August 2nd.

YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORT

April 11th — Skating party had eight (8) churches participating. April 30th — Mark Brawley at Sharum: Two (2) decisions were made. Next Rally at Sharum in August.

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried. Resolution Committee was appointed at this time. The men on this committee are: Rev. Grady Linebaugh; Bro. Nelbert Rickey; Rev. Fred Scott.

INTERMISSION

Bro. Roy Thomas gave information on the Benjamin Randall Fund, which is a fund set up for our Home Missions Department. Bro. Thomas requested prayer for their Home Missions Department that the Lord of the Harvest would send forth laborers at this time.

EXAMINING BOARD

We, the Examining Board, have nothing to report at this time.

EXECUTIVE/PROGRAM COMMITTEE

The suggested program for the October 8th meeting to be held at Pocahontas First is as follows:

Devotional:	Host Church
Scripture Reading and Prayer:	Host Church
Message:	Rev. Fred Scott, Jonesboro First
Alternate:	Rev. Nelson Henderson,
	Pocahontas First

Rev. Gordan Sebastian will be the speaker for the Harvest Crusade. The following churches have contributed to the Crusade as of July 8, 1994:

Arbor Grove	\$50.00	O'Kean	\$50.00
Clear Lake	\$10.00	Old Reyno	\$50.00
Coffman	\$50.00	Paragould	\$50.00
Corning First	\$50.00	Poplar Valley	\$50.00
Eastvale	\$50.00	Rickey Chapel	\$50.00
Elnora	\$50.00	Sharum	\$50.00
Faith Jonesboro	\$50.00	Sutton	\$50.00
Grandview	\$50.00	Thorn Grove	\$65.00
Jonesboro First	\$50.00	United	\$50.00
New Bethel	\$50.00	Walnut Ridge First	\$50.00
Northside	\$50.00		
Sub-Total	\$1,025.00	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	• •
Previous Balance	\$1,779.12		
Total	\$2,804.12	·	

It is less than three months until our Harvest Crusade, which is scheduled for October 2-5 at 7:00 P.M. each night.

We appreciate each of you who has contributed thus far to this effort. If your church has not given, please pray what God would have you do concerning the financial aspect of this crusade. It is important if your church can contribute that you send in your money as soon as possible.

Again, thank you for the great outpouring of support for this endeavor.

Harvest Crusade Committee Brooks Crossno; Carmen Rushing Tommy Tims; Kerry Gandy, Chairman

A motion was made and seconded to receive report. The motion carried.

SPINKS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Scholarship Committee recommends scholarships be awarded to three (3) entering freshmen at FWBBC, for the fall of 1994, in the amount of \$100.00 each, to be sent to FWBBC for the accounts of:

Christy Trail Vince Daniel Chris Moody Walnut Ridge First Mountain Home First Mountain Home First

The remaining amount of the fund will be \$287.69. The ability of this committee to award future scholarships is determined by your support. We need your church to support this fund regularly.

Committee Members Bill Anderson; Melba Henderson A motion was made and seconded to receive this report. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

We have checked the financial records of Sis. Janet Gandy and find them in order and balanced.

Rev. Dale Blackwell Rev. Roger Daniel Bro. Alden Jones

Respectfully,

A motion was made and seconded to receive this report. The motion carried. State Delegates were elected at this time.

A motion was made and seconded to receive the following people as State Delegates: Sis. Beatrice Graham; Sis. Melba Henderson; Sis. Janet Gandy; Sis. Shirley Smith; Sis. SheryIn Blackwell. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

A motion was made and seconded for the Executive Board to check into the funding of the various committees of the Social Band Association. The motion carried.

Announcements were made at this time.

This concluded our business session.

Worship hour began.

Offering was received in the amount of \$175.08.

A motion was made and seconded to give half of the offering to the Spinks fund and half to the youth account. The motion carried.

Bro. Allan Murray led the congregation in singing "Heaven's Jubilee", with Sis. Gena Cullum on the piano.

Sis. Diane Cullum, Bro. Allan Murray, and Bro. Carl Holcomb from Sharum sang "I'm Going Home With Jesus", then Sis. Diane Cullum and Sis. Gena Cullum sang "Holy Ground".

Rev. Steve Trail from Walnut Ridge First brought the morning message. His text was taken from Lamentations 1:12. The worship hour was closed in prayer.

Rev. Jeral Dean from Elnora led in prayer and asked the blessing on the noon meal, which was prepared by the host church.

SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

1303 Tony Street

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Jonesboro, AR 72401

Check	Date	Receipts	DISBURSEMENTS	-	Balance
No.			Paid To	Amount	Datalice
·	7/12/93 7/12/93	\$ 124.25 \$ 1,941.00	BALANCE (\$1,440.36 - Harvest; \$727.69 - Spinks; \$452.70 - Acct.) Deposit (H.C.) Deposit (\$1,355.00 - Letters; \$186.00 - Nationals;		\$ 2,620.7
178 179 180 181 182 183	7/23/93	\$ 200.00	 \$400.00 - H.C.) Deposit (H.C.) Sutton (Host Meeting) Camp Beaver (Youth Camp) National H.M. (General) National F.M. (\$20.00 - Deeds; \$15.00 - General) Arkansas State (National 1994) U.S. Post Office (Stamps; Misc.) 	\$ 125.00 \$ 15.00 \$ 5.00 \$ 35.00 \$ 186.00 \$ 29.00	¢ 4 401 0
184 185 186 187 188			 BALANCE (\$2,164.61 - H.C.; \$272.69 - Spinks; \$1,598.70 - Acct.) Arkansas State Assoc. (Dues) Janet Gandy (Oct. Meeting) Desktop Publishers (Posters - H.C.) GTE (Phone Bill - H.C.) Rev. Kerry Gandy (Gas Reimburse- ment, H.C.) 	\$ 910.00 \$ 100.00 \$ 200.40 \$ 11.15 \$ 17.00	\$ 4,491.0
189 190	9/30/93	\$ 250.00	ment - H.C.) U.S. Post Office (Postage - H.C.) BALANCE (\$1,928.52 - H.C.; \$727.69 - Spinks; \$588.70 - Acct.) Deposit (H.C.) U.S. Post Office (Postage - H.C.)	\$ 7.54\$ 7.25	\$ 3,244.9
191 192 193 194 195 196			 Bingham Piano & Organ (Piano Rental - H.C.) Hobby Lobby (Table Skirts - H.C.) Wal-Mart (Envelopes) Jonesboro Sun (Ad 14410 - H.C.) Ozark (Minutes) U.S. Post Office (Letters - Quarterly) BALANCE (\$1,679.86 - H.C.; \$727.60 Spinker \$224.14 	<pre>\$ 300.00 \$ 10.21 \$ 2.29 \$ 181.20 \$ 329.60 \$ 32.67</pre>	\$ 2,631.6
197 198 199 200	10/4/93 10/5/93 10/6/93 10/7/93 10/12/93 10/29/93	\$ 670.91 \$ 183.61 \$ 170.38 \$ 4.03 \$ 283.91 \$ 154.65 \$ 445.00	\$727.69 Spinks; \$224.14 - Acct.) Deposit (H.C.) Deposit (H.C.) Deposit (H.C.) Deposit (H.C.) Deposit (H.C.) Deposit (H.C.) Deposit (Letters) Florist (Flowers - H.C.) Jr. Food (Gas Reimburse H.C.) Janet Gandy (January Meeting) Rev. Bobby Jackson (Evangelist -	\$ 33.02 \$ 15.00 \$ 100.00 \$ 500.00	
200			H.C.) Rev. Bobby Jackson (Gas Expense -	\$ 500.00 \$ 300.00	
202			H.C.) Rev. Tommy Tims (Reimburse	\$ 20.00	
203 204			H.C.) Alamo Court (Motel - H.C.) Don & Loree's Fish House (Evangel- ist Meals - H.C.)	\$ 205.05 \$ 45.22	
205 206			O'Kean (Host Meeting) Arkansas State (Nationals 1994)	\$ 125.00 \$ 100.00	

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No.	Date	Receipts	Paid To Amount		Dalalice
207			Camp Beaverfork (General) BALANCE (\$2,029.06 - H.C.; \$727.69 - Spinks; \$334.14 - Acct.)	\$ 10.00	\$ 3,090.89
208 209			National Association (H.M.) National Association (F.M.)	\$ 20.00 \$ 5.00	
210			FWB Bible College (College Days - Scholarship)	\$ 140.00)
211			Star Herald (Paper - H.C.) BALANCE (\$2,045.58 - H.C.; \$587.69 - Spinks; \$309.14 - Acct.)	\$ 8.48	\$ 2,942.41
212 213			Janet Gandy (April Meeting) Ozark Journal (Minutes)	\$ 100.00 \$ 116.50	
214 215			Wal-Mart (Envelopes) U.S. Post Office (Postage)	\$ 1.98 \$ 20.25	5
	1/10/04	¢ 110.50	BALANCE (\$2,045.58 - H.C.; (\$587.69 - Spinks; \$70.41 - Acct.)		\$ 2,703.68
	1/12/94 1/12/94 1/12/94	\$ 119.50 \$ 348.00 \$ 465.00	Deposit (Y.F.) Deposit (Nationals) Deposit (Account)		
216	-,,-	•	Wal-Mart (File)	\$ 23.14	
217 218	· . •		Jonesboro Faith (Host Meeting) City of Hoxie (Rent - Oct. 2-5 - H.C.)	\$ 125.00 \$ 200.00	
210			BALANCE (\$1,845.58;		\$ 3,288.04
219			\$587.69 - Spinks; \$119.50 - Y.F.) Hoxie Civic Center (Refundable)	\$ 25.00	
220			Jerry Macher (Civic Ctr. Rent - H.C.)	\$ 50.00	
221			U.S. Post Office (Postage - H.C.) BALANCE (\$1,789.78 - H.C.; \$119.50 - Y.F.; \$587.69 - Spinks;	\$ 5.80	\$ 3,232.24
			\$735.27)	· . ·	
222 223			State Association (Nationals) U.S. Post Office (Stamps - H.C.)	\$ 248.00 \$ 29.00	
224		at a second s	Ozark Journal (Minutes)	\$ 116.50	
225			U.S. Post Office (Postage)		
226 227			Rev. Gene Cullum (Youth Fund) Planters and Stockman (Savings)	\$ 274.19 \$ 587.69	
	· .		BALANCE (\$1,760.78 - H.C.;	u 507.0,	\$ 1,958.11
	4/ <i>1</i> 94	\$ 1,145.00	\$197.33 - Acct.) Deposit (\$700.00 - H.C.; \$445.00 -		
228			Letters) Personald (Heat Meeting)	e toro	
220			Paragould (Host Meeting) BALANCE (\$2,460.78 - H.C.; \$517.33 - Account)	\$ 125.00	\$ 2,978.11
229			Camp Beaverfork (General)	\$ 10.00	
230 231			National Association (H.M.) National Association (F.M.)	\$ 20.00 \$ 5.00	
232			Arkansas State Assoc. (Nat. 1994)	\$ 100.00	
			BALANCE (\$2,460.78 - H.C.; \$382.33 - Account)		\$ 2,843.11
233	6/ /94	\$ 150.00	Deposit (H.C.)	0 11 C	
234			Ozark Journal (Minutes) Janet Gandy (July Meeting)	\$ 116.50 \$ 100.00	
235	· ·		Wal-Mart (Envelopes)	\$ 3.01	
236		۰.	U.S. Post Office (Postage) BALANCE (\$2,610.78 - H.C.; \$142.57 - Account)	\$ 20.25	\$ 2,753.35
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CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise, by His grace, to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the Knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded with prayer.

2. Those who speak shall rise, address the moderator, and personal reflections shall be avoided.

3. All motions made and seconded shall be open for discussion, but debate may be shut off at any time by a majority of the members of the Association.

4. 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.

5. Motion made and lost shall not be recorded on the minutes unless ordered at

Summary Of Letters Fo July 9

CHURCHES	• ••	· · ·				
CHUKCHES	Rec.	Dis.	Dec.	Bap.	Total	E E
ARBOR GROVE	3		1		116	1
CLEAR LAKE	`		1		10	1
COFFMAN					38	
CORNING FIRST					22	
EASTVALE		 			60	ł
ELNORA			1	3	152	1
FAITH JONESBORO	5	3		1	126	1
GRANDVIEW	5		1		55	
JONESBORO FIRST	2	, . 	2	2	130	1
MOUNTAIN HOME FIRST	7		1	2	68	
NEW BETHEL	4	3		1	39	
NORTHSIDE	6	2	2		136	
O'KEAN	5		1		36	
OLD REYNO	8	2	1	8	201	
PARAGOULD	10	5	6	7	54	
PIONEER	10	1	· .	11	42	
POCAHONTAS FIRST	3	1	1	9	209	
POPLAR VALLEY					58	
PRUETT CHAPEL			~		38	
RICKEY CHAPEL			1		37	
SHARUM	4	4	3	9	86	
STONEY POINT	- · ·	-	-	-	•	AT
SUTTON	31	5	5	14	261	
THORN GROVE		. –	2	-	21	1
UNITED	4	1		4	100	
WALNUT RIDGE FIRST	27	-	3	12	184	
WARM SPRINGS	10	0	2	19	36	
TOTALS	144	27	34	102	2,315	

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For July Annual Meeting 91994

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18				1		1	65.00
53	40	4	5	1		2	65.00
152			. 	1		5	40.00
126	126	13		3	· 	2	65.00
26 /	15	· · ·	·				80.00 (15.00 F.M.)
130	50	15	8	3		7	65.00
65		8		1			65.00
37	15	·				2	65.00
34				2	2	2	65.00
49		12					65.00
100	50	8		2		6	65.00
54				1	1	2	65.00
45		6		1		1	50.00
125	75	21		2		1	65.00
58				1		1	65.00
26	9					1	65.00
21				1		1	65.00
86				1 1		2	65.00
VAILA	BLE						
177	25	18	6	··· 1·		8	65.00
14						1	100.00 (5H.M.; 5F.M.; 10 Y.C.; 15H.C.)
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6. No one shall speak more than once on the same object without special leave from the body.

7. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

8. No member shall absent himself without leave of the moderator.

9. Arrangements shall be made as to insure two sermons or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto, in addition to the business session each day, and the moderator announces at the adjournment of each business session who is to have charge of said service.

10. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular meeting of the Association.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. The Bible. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. God. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey.

3. Christ. Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.

4. The Holy Spirit. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.

5. The Government of God. God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires.

6. The Sinfulness of Man. Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.

7. The Work of Christ. The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death, and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free, and is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. The Terms of Salvation. The conditions of salvation: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin, and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

9. Election. God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply

with the conditions of Salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become his elect.

10. Freedom of the Will. The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.

11. Salvation Free. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

12. Perseverance. All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

13. Gospel Ordinances. Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. Feet Washing, an ordinance teaching humility, is of universal obligation, and is to be ministered to all true believers.

14. Tithing. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament: Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (1 Cor. 16:2a).

15. The Christian Sabbath. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works, and activities, and for personal communion with God.

16. Resurrection, Judgement, and Final Retribution. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

CONSTITUTION OF THE SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS — ADOPTED JULY 13, 1991 AT THE ALICE BROOKS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

PREAMBLE: From long experience, we, the members of the Free Will Baptist Churches of this area, having been baptized by immersion upon a profession of faith in Christ as Saviour and Lord, and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among our churches; do, for the purpose of coordinating our efforts for the extension of the Kingdom of God, ordain this constitution for the betterment of our associational government.

ARTICLE I

NAME: This organization shall be called the Social Band Association of Free Will Baptists and it shall be affiliated with the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists, which is a member of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. ARTICLE II

PURPOSE: The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of the various churches composing this association and to devise and execute

measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God. ARTICLE III

REPRESENTATION:

Section 1. This association shall be composed of well regulated Free Will Baptist Churches, with Free Will Baptist ministers in good standing with the association, maintaining gospel order, agreeing with the denomination in doctrine and practice, and supporting the various enterprises that have been endorsed by this association and the denomination proper.

Section 2. The standing members of this association shall be regularly ordained Free Will Baptist ministers and their wives, deacons and their wives, and church clerks, who are in good standing with their local churches. Also, each church shall be represented by a maximum of 5 delegates from the church.

Section 3. In the event that only part of an elected delegation is present from a church, they may fill vacancies with other members present from the said church. Said delegation shall be approved by this body.

Section 4. Ministers coming from another association, state, or denomination shall be received upon examination and recommendation of the examining board and the majority vote of this body. They should also have a letter of good standing from the association they came from, or should be accepted on a forthcoming letter from that body.

ARTICLE IV

FINANCES:

Section 1. This association recommends that each church belonging to said body give one tenth (10%) of its tithes and offerings to the cooperative plan of support for the financing of state and national programs.

Section 2. All monies held by the association shall be kept in the general fund to be disbursed at the wishes of the body.

Section 3. Each member church shall send \$50.00 to the yearly meeting of this association to be sent to the Arkansas State Association to pay yearly representation fees, minutes fees, and National Association fees. Each member church shall send \$15.00 quarterly to help the host church of each quarterly meeting with the expenses of hosting the meeting.

Section 4. Changes in the amount of the fees may be changed at any regular meeting of this body, the changes becoming effective at the next session of the body, provided the member churches are notified of the changes.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS:

Section 1. The officers of this association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Parliamentarian. These officers shall be elected annually at the close of the business period. No person, with the exception of the clerk and assistant clerk, may serve more than two consecutive terms. Section 2. The clerk shall be paid for his/her work, with the amount to be set by this body. The duties of the clerk shall be:

(1) Present a digest of reports to the association consisting of the names of unreported churches, names of delegates, any petitioner letters or general correspondence directed to the association, and any miscellaneous item deemed necessary by the clerk.

(2) Take minutes of all meetings of the association.

(3) Serve as Treasurer of the association.

(4) Carry on necessary correspondence with churches and denominational agencies.

ARTICLE VI

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

Section 1. The standing boards of this association shall be the Executive Board and the Examining Board. These boards shall report at least yearly to this body. The committees of this association shall be the Credentials Committee, Nominating Committee, Scholarship Committee, Obituary Committee. These committees shall give their report at the yearly meeting. There shall be five (5) members on each committee. These committees shall be appointed by the moderator or by the body if it so desires.

Section 2. Each of the boards shall be composed of five (5) members who are elected by this association, according to an arrangement whereby each member has a term of office for 5 years, and their terms are arranged so that they expire one per year. No member of the standing boards shall succeed himself in office having served a full five-year term. Section 3. All boards and committees are to organize when elected or appointed. They shall have a Chairman, Assistant Chairman, and Secretary. Each board or committee shall keep a written record of each meeting and shall make a written report to this body of its work and activities. Section 4. The Executive Board is delegated the power to act in behalf of and for the Social Band Association when it is not in session. It shall have the power to fill vacancies that may occur on the standing boards or offices of this association. This board shall be responsible for all legal matters that might claim the attention

of this body.

Section 5. The Examining Board shall examine all candidates (Ministers and Deacons) at the request of the local church. All licensed ministers and deacon candidates seeking ordination shall be given a written examination with the questionnaire being furnished by the board. Ministers coming from other associations, states, or denominations shall be examined by this board at the request of the local church. They should also have a letter of good standing from the association they are coming from.

ARTICLE VII

MEETINGS: This association shall meet quarterly at such a time and place as shall

be decided upon by the body.

ARTICLE VIII

RULES FOR CONDUCTING BUSINESS: Robert's Rules of Order shall be used as a guide in all business transactions and parliamentary law.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS: This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the Social Band Association by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates present, provided proposed amendments or alterations be presented in writing to the body by 10:00 A.M., and these may be voted on after 12:00 noon.

ARTICLE X

DISCIPLINE: This association shall set only in an advisory capacity. Should there arise in the local church any question on Doctrine, Practice, or Discipline, the **Bible and the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptist** shall be considered the final authority. This body, when in session, may, by majority vote of members present, withdraw the hand of fellowship from said church or churches until such a time as they have set their house in order. NOTE: This constitution, should it be adopted, shall go into effect immediately upon its acceptance by the Social Band Association.

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