

QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE

SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION OF

FREE WILL BAPTIST

— AT THE —

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

SEPTEMBER 28 - 29, 1956

Friday Evening

8:00 Singing and Prayer

8:30 Devotional — Rev. J. W. Russell

9:00 Sermon — Rev. Glenn Campbell

Saturday Morning

9:00 Singing, Scripture and Prayer

9:30 Reading of Church Letters — Sis. Dora Walker
and Sis. Mabel Knight.

10:20 Welcome Address — Rev. W. A. Gray

10:25 Response — Bro. Eulan Light

10:40 Talk on Foreign Missions—Rev. Reford Wilson

11:00 Sermon—Bro. Lowell Graham

12:00 Lunch

Saturday Afternoon

1:30 Devotional — Bro. Arthur Ring

2:00 Reports of Boards and Committees

3:00 Ordination Service

4:00 Adjournment

**MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING HELD AT
O'KEAN FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
JULY 27 - 28, 1956**

The Friday evening session was called to order by the assistant moderator, Rev. Will S. White. The singing was directed by Bro. Claude Harmon, Rev. G. E. Hester, and Bro. Raymond McNutt. Prayer offered by Sister Hester. The devotional was conducted by Rev. G. E. Hester and sermon delivered by Rev. Melvin Shelton using Scripture from St. John 14:1-11, the theme: "What is truth"? Dismission prayer by Sis. Patsy Swan.

Saturday morning session was called to order by moderator Rev. Carl High; singing was directed by Bro. Claude Harmon and Bro. Garfield Throgmorton and prayer by Bro. Herman Johnson. Scripture was read by moderator from James fifth chapter, theme, 16th verse, followed by congregational altar prayer.

The church letters were read by Sis. Nellie Harmon and Sis. Dora Walker. The letters were received by body and delegates seated by right hand of fellowship as Bro. Lowell Graham directed the singing.

Committees Appointed Were:

Sunday School and League — Sis. Clata McNutt, Bro. Eddie Baker, Sis. E. F. Puckett, Bro. Clifton Jarrett and Sis. Zuma Richey.

Obituary — Sis. Iva Herring, Rev. W. A. Gray, Sis. Wanda Bonds, Sis. Anna Rothe and Bro. Paul Jones.

Finance — Sis. Bessie Jarrett, Sis. Thursie Edington, Bro. Berry Rexrhode, Bro. Lowell Butler and Sis. Mabel Knight.

Resolution — Bro. Marvin Riggs, Sis. Katie James, Sis. Virgie Throgmorton, Bro. L. D. Johnson, and Bro. Norman Lee.

Program — Sis. Alta Lee Miller, Bro. Johnny Palmer, Bro. Alvie Forrester, Bro. Marshall Summers, Sis. Edith King.

The welcome address was given by Bro. Claude Harmon and response by Rev. Dewey Thompson. Rev. Ira Gates spoke on "Need of home Missions", reading Scripture from the 12th chapter of Acts. The moderator allow-

ed a ten minute intermission.

Worship hour singing was directed by Bro. Eulan Light and prayer was offered by Rev. Ray G. Scott. Rev. Reford Wilson delivered the sermon using Scripture from Proverbs 22:28, theme "The Old Time Religion". Prayer was offered by Rev. Wilson. A song was directed by Rev. Carl High as altar call was given and three gave testimonies of special calling. Singing and right-hand of fellowshiping followed. Bro. C. F. Jones offered dismissal prayer.

Saturday afternoon service was called to order by moderator, Sis. Oran Smith directing the singing, and Rev. Jerry Thompson offered prayer. The devotional was led by Bro. L. D. Johnson, followed by song directed by Bro. Eulan Light. The First Free Will Baptist Church of Memphis, Tennessee was selected as host for next Quarterly Meeting and the radio program schedule was read.
Report of Committees:

Sunday School and League — We, your committee of Sunday School and League find that of the 22 churches represented all have Sunday School and 13 have League. We recommend that a League representative be placed in our association to assist in organizing new Leagues.

Obituary — We, your Obituary committee submit the following report. We find that God has called from our midst Bro. Ira L. Gates from the First Free Will Baptist Church of Memphis and Bro. Wesley Bennett of the Pocahontas Church.

Home Mission Treasurer's Report — At our last Quarterly Meeting we reported \$245.19 Home Mission and \$48.80 Radio Fund, since we have received \$55.23 from the Churches. We now have \$300.42 Home Mission. Signed, Rev. Dewey Thompson, Treasurer.

A song was directed by Bro. L. D. Johnson and the moderator announced fifteen minute intermission.

The meeting was called to order by moderator with singing directed by Bro. Lowell Butler and prayer by Bro. Eulan Light. A motion was sustained to revise our Church letter forms. Ordination services were conducted by the presbytery chairman, Rev. Ira Gates.

Presbytery Board Report — Rev. Norlin D. Jones, Rev. Ray G. Scott and Rev. Ben Hawkins were ordained for ministerial work and Bro. Lowell G. Graham was licensed. Bro. Harvey A. Hawkins and Bro. Everett Johnson were ordained to deaconship. The ordination certificates were issued to same.

Announcements were given and a rising vote of thanks to O'Kean Church for the hospitality shown during the meeting. The meeting adjourned.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Churches	Minu- tes	Clerk Hire	Missions Home Frgn.	Nat.	Youth Camp	Co-op Plan
Memphis	1.00	1.00	5.00			
Union Grove	1.00	1.00				
Mt. Zion	1.00	.50			15.00	27.10
Clear Lake	1.00	1.00				
Jonesboro	1.00	.50				
Pocahontas	1.50	1.00	5.00		13.25	132.61
Arbor Grove	1.50	1.00			5.00	26.24
Pruett Chapel	2.00	1.00				
Pirtle	1.50	1.00				
Stony Point	1.50	.50				
Rickey Chapel	2.00					
Walnut Ridge	2.00	.50				
Little Brown	1.50	1.00	2.76			
New Covenant	2.00	1.00				
Old Reyno	2.00	.50	2.00	2.00	2.00	
Grand View	1.00	1.00				
Corning	1.50	1.00	1.00			
Elnora	1.00	.50	5.00		5.00	5.00
Poplar Valley	1.00	.50	5.00			
Alice Brooks	1.50	1.00				10.00
O'Kean	1.50	1.00	8.21	8.21	6.00	
Oldham Chapel	1.00	1.00				
TOTAL	31.00	17.50	21.21	22.97	2.00	200.95