# MINUTES

OF THE

# South Grand River Association

OF

# FREE WILL BAPTISTS

1966



PROCEEDINGS OF THE 73rd ANNUAL SESSION



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# ASSOCIATION OFFICERS-

Rev. Carl Hembree, Moderator
Rev. J. D. Stepp, Assistant Moderator
Billye Gwartney, Clerk
June Marler, Assistant Clerk
Rev. Richard Callison, Promotional Secretary
Rev. Clayton Crafton, Assistant Promotional Secretary
Rev. Ray Gwartney, Treasurer
Jim Wilson, Assistant Treasurer



# INCLUDES PROCEEDINGS OF-

South Grand River Association
South Grand River Youth Encampment
South Grand River Woman's Auxiliary
South Grand River Master's Men



# SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION IS A MEMBER OF STATE AND NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

#### 1966 - 1967 OFFICERS

#### SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

MODERATOR: Rev. Carl Hembree, Box 183, Locust Grove, Okla.

ASS'T MODERATOR: Rev. J. D. Stepp, 509 S. 24th, Muskogee, Okla.

CLERK: Billye Gwartney, 1220 E. Graham Court, Pryor, Okla. 74361

ASS'T CLERK: June Marler, Bixby, Okla.

TREASURER: Rev. Ray Gwartney, 1220 E. Graham Court, Pryor, Okla. ASS'T TREASURER: Jim Wilson, 512 SW First St., Pryor, Okla. 74361

BEPORTER: Marguerete Kern, Box 141, Locust Grove, Okla.

—PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY: Rev. Richard Callison, Rt. 2, Pryor, Okla. ASS'T PROMOTIONAL SEC'Y: Rev. Clayton Crafton, Rt. 2, Bixby, Okla.

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD

- 3 Year Men: Rev. Ray Gwartney, Rev. J. D. Stepp, Rev. F. A. McCage
- 2 Year Men: Rev. Carl Hembree, Rev. Virgil Florence
- 1 Year Men: Rev. J. A. Haynes, Rev. Earl Judd

### **EXAMINING BOARD**

Rev. Dalton Beene, 3 years; Rev. Roy Bingham, 2 years; Rev. Oren Estcs, 1 year.

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rev. Sy Mashburn, 5 years; Rev. D. C. Rubarts, 4 years; V. E. Moses, 3 years; Jim Wilson, 2 years; Rev. Calvin Morgan, 1 year.

#### BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Dennis Kern, 5 years; Rev. Earl Judd, 4 years; Rev. J. D. Stepp, 3 years; Rev. Louis Maxwell, 2 years; Rev. Paul Martin, 1 year.

#### MISSION CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Rev. Cecil Bowen, Sister Marguerete Kern, Sister Billye Gwartney, Sister Geraldine Schauffler, Rev. Clayton Crafton, Rev. Richard Callison, Chairman.

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE SEVENTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION OF SOUTH GRAND RIVER

# ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

## THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 15, 1966, 7:30 P. M. -

Master's Men services began with prayer and congregational singing led by Brother Dennis Kern.

Rev. F. A. McCage brought the evening message.

The seventy-third session of the South Grand River Association was declared in conference by the Clerk.

Dismissed in prayer.

## FRIDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 16, 1966 —

Opened by singing "Did You Think To Pray", led by Brother V. E. Moses. Sister Loreca McCage, Pianist.

Devotional given by Rev. Earl Judd from Psalm 133, followed by praver.

Motion carried to accept reading of letters and seat the delegates

and to receive Wagoner Mission letter as information.

Motion carried to reinstate the Wagoner Church and to give the delegates the right hand of fellowship after they met with the Credential Committee.

Moderator and Assistant appointed temporary committees.

TEMPERANCE: Elsie Judd, Wanda Exendine, Dorothy Hall

LITERATURE: Lewis Maner, Irene Faught, Vivian Ray

OBITUARY: E. C. McEntire, Carol Carner, Nadine Voss

ESTIMATE OF CHURCH PROPERTY: Marguerete Kern, June Marler, Pete Puckett

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Birdie Smith, Jessie Coursey, V. E. Moses

RESOLUTION: Rev. Sy Mashburn, Rev. Carl Hembree, Rev. Fay Green FINANCE: Rev. F. A. McCage, Rev. Alfred Coursey, Frances Stepp

Rev. Fay Green was elected to speak at the Memorial Service. Welcome was given to our visiting minister, Rev. N. R. Smith.

# FRIDAY, 11:00 o'CLOCK WORSHIP SERVICE -

Service began with singing "Love Divine", led by Brother V. E. Moses. Rev. Dalton Beene led in prayer. Rev. Virgil Florence brought the message from Matthew 14:33. Dismissed by prayer.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, 1:30 P. M. -

Service began with the congregation singing "We're Marching to Zion". Rev. J. D. Stepp gave the Devotional and led in prayer.

Report was given by the State Executive Secretary, Rev. N. R. Smith. He stressed the Cooperative giving. He also stressed the Harvest Day Offering for OBC October 16, 1966.

Motion carried to receive the Treasurer's report and grant the recommendation that the Association buy an adding machine.

Motion carried to accept the report of the Editor of Holy Echoes. Motion carried to give the old piano to Mattie McCrary from the

Lowery Church.

Resolutions passed: No. 1 — That the Association bed, tape, paint and finish trim in the dining room and kitchen. Also that a hot water tank and doors be installed in Boys Dormitory. No. 2 — Be it resolved that this Association build a Caretakers house here on the Camp Grounds. The size, price and location be left to the Trustees and Executive Board. Motion carried to table till Saturday.

Youth Camp Treasurer's report accepted and also the wish of Sister Freda Smith to resign granted.

Motion carried to adjourn business until Saturday morning at 9:30. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Garland Davidson.

# FRIDAY EVENING MISSION SERVICE, SEPTEMBER 16, 1966 —

Service opened by singing "Revive Us Again", led by Brother Howard Gwartney. Rev. Richard Callison moderated the service.

Devotional was given by Sister Willie Gage.

Rev. Howard Gage showed slides of the field of Africa, where they will be working. He also brought the message for the evening. His text was Matt. 5:1-6. At the close of the service a missionary offering was taken and given to the Gages. Rev. Jake Gage dismissed in prayer.

#### SATURDAY MORNING SERVICE, SEPTEMBER 17, 1966 —

Service began by Singing "Onward Christian Soldiers", led by Brother E. C. McEntire.

Devotional given by Rev. Ted Turner from Col. 3:1-10.

Late letters read and motion carried to accept the letters and seat the delegates.

Corresponding letter read from Arkansas Valley Association. Motion carried to receive the letter and to recognize the corresponding delegate.

Report of Board of Christian Education given by Brother Stepp. The nominations for Youth Camp personnel were the following officers and teachers for the 1967 Camp:

President Rev. Ray Gwartney
Vice-President Rev. Carl Hembree
General Sponsor Rev. Calvin Morgan
Clerk Frances Stepp
Treasurer Loreca McCage
Recreation Director Rev. F. A. McCage
Boys Sponsor Herb Smith and Howard Exendine
Kitchen Director Wanda Exendine
Music Director Marguerete Kern
Teachers: Wesley Jarman, Oscar Reed, Oren Estes,
Rosie Estes Pearl Osborne Herb Smith

Motion carried to accept these nominations.

Motion carried to give \$50.00 for State Association expense.

Motion carried to give \$100.00 on Camp Ground repair.

Motion carried to give \$50.00 Scholarship for O. B. C.

Motion carried to receive report of Christian Education Board.

Motion carried to receive the report of Oklahoma Bible College given by the President, Dr. J. D. O'Donnell.

Motion carried to accept the report of the Literature Committee and release the committee.

Motion carried to accept the report of the Temperance Committee and release the committee.

Motion carried to receive a late letter and seat the delegates.

Motion to adjourn business until 1:30. Dismissed in prayer by Howard Smith,

## SATURDAY, 11:00 o'CLOCK, SEPTEMBER 17, 1966 —

#### MEMORIAL SERVICE

Service began by singing "It Is Joy Unspeakable", led by Brother E. C. McEntire. A quartet sang "When God Shall Wipe All Tears Away From Our Eyes".

The message was delivered by Rev. Fay Green. His scripture reading was Rev. 21:1-5. Dismissed in prayer by Rev. Cecil Bowen.

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30 P. M. -

Opened with singing "Victory in Jesus", led by Rev. Louis Maxwell. Devotional given by Rev. Carl Hembree, Mark 10:46-52.

Partial report of the Examining Board read. Motion carried to accept the report.

Motion carried that the reports of the Youth Camp and Woman's Auxiliary be printed in the Minutes and that each group give \$25.00 for printing.

Motion carried that the Treasurer pay the expenses of State Association after the Churches have sent in their offerings.

Motion that the business of the Quarterly meetings be printed in the Minutes and that an offering be taken at each Quarterly meeting to defray the expense. Motion carried.

Motion carried that the Law of the Supper be deleted from the Minutes.

Speaker elected for 1967 Memorial Service, Rev. Clayton Crafton; Alternate, Rev. Roy Bingham.

Speaker for Friday 11:00 A. M. Introductory Message, Rev. Garland Davidson; Alternate, Rev. Richard Callison.

Motion carried that Rev. and Mrs. Carl Hembree be Corresponding Delegates to First Mission Association.

Motion that Rev. and Mrs. Sy Mashburn be Corresponding Delegates to Northeast Association. Carried.

Motion carried that Rev. and Mrs. McCage and Rev. and Mrs. Virgil Florence be Corresponding Delegates to the Eureka Association.

Motion carried to accept the report of the Committee on Estimate of Church Property and release the committee.

Motion carried to accept the report of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Motion carried to accept the report of the Finance Committee and to release the committee.

Motion carried that the Churches be sent Minutes according to price of the Minutes and that the surplus be held and the churches may order them at printing cost.

Motion carried that the Churches be given a grace period to get their State Delegates name and fee to Clerk by September 22, 1966.

Motion carried that the President or Chairman of CTS, Master's Men and Woman's Auxiliary represent the organization as their delegate.

Motion that the Youth Camp Officers choose the Evangelist. Carried. Motion carried that the tabled resolution be removed for discussion.

Motion carried that resolution No. 2 be postponed until the next Quarterly meeting (90 days).

Motion carried that the Trustee Board and Executive Board bring estimates of the type building and cost to the next session.

Motion carried that we give \$25.00 each to the Clerk and Treasurer.

Motion carried that the Camp Ground install a pole light on the ground at a cost no more than \$4.00 per month.

Motion carried to retain the present Caretaker and give the family a standing vote of thanks.

Motion carried that we install a modesty panel in each of the bathrooms, and that Brother Lewis Maner buy the material and build and that he be paid for his labor.

Motion carried that the Executive Board with the Moderator prepare the programs for the Quarterly Meeting and the Annual Meeting.

Motion carried to give all the officers of the Association a standing vote of thanks.

Motion carried that the shower room in Boys Dormitory be finished with waterproof material.

Motion carried that the Executive Board and the Moderator meet and work out suggested allocations for each church to Gages Account. Motion carried to accept Promotional Secretary's report.

Officers elected to serve the coming year as follows:

MODERATOR: Rev. Carl Hembree

ASSISTANT MODERATOR: Rev. J. D. Stepp

CLERK: Billye Gwartney

ASSISTANT CLERK: June Marler

PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY: Rev. Richard Callison

ASSISTANT PROMOTIONAL SEC'Y: Rev. Clayton Crafton

TREASURER: Rev. Ray Gwartney ASSISTANT TREASURER: Jim Wilson

REPORTER: Marguerete Kern

Motion carried to adjourn. Rev. Oren Estes dismissed in prayer.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL: We the Sunday School Committee recommend that all of our Free Will Baptist Churches use Free Will Baptist literature in Sunday School and C. T. S.

We also recommend that each child use one of the daily Bible readings as a part of their home work. That each member pray that Bible Study and prayer be restored to our public schools. — Birdie Smith, V. E. Moses and Jessie Coursey

TEMPERANCE: Your temperance committee urge all members of every Church to continue in everything according to the teachings of the Bible. We desire that our Churches urge its members to take part in family devotions and family altars. "A family that prays together stays together". When a Church bands together in humbleness and prayer it will stay together and souls will be won for the Glory of God. — Elsie Judd, Dorothy Hall, Wanda Exendine

LITERATURE: We your literature committee recommend the Bible as our basic study. We recommend as good reading material the following: National — The Contact and Heartbeat, also Attack

State - The Promoter

District — Holy Echoes

We recommend the use of Free Will Baptist Sunday School literature and also C. T. S. literature. — Lewis Maner, Irene Faught, Vivian Ray

OBITUARY: It is with sadness of heart that we, your obituary committee, report as follows: we submissively how to the call of our Heavenly Father, who has removed from our midst Sister Virgie Parks, Coweta; Sister Edna Wilson, Coweta; Sister Rose Mahan, Coweta; Brother Charles Moyer, Pryor; Sister Goldie Moyer, Pryor; Brother Charley Johnson, Pryor; Brother John Meadows, Shahan; Sister Bonnie Mann, Checotah; Brother Eades, Checotah; Sister Sturdevant, Checotah; Brother Bailey, Checotah; Rev. Green, Checotah; Brother Walter Maner, Checotah; Sister Ruby Rogers, Carmel; Brother Carson Webb, Wagoner; Brother Charley Tuttle, Salina; Sister Florence Giles, Locust Grove; Sister Mittie Woods, Locust Grove. — Sister Carole Carner, Sister Nadine Voss, Brother E. C. McEntire

FINANCE: We your Finance Committee, received the following amounts: Association Minutes, \$25.00; Youth Camp for Minutes, \$25.00; Woman's Auxiliary, \$25.00; State Delegate fees, \$85.00. — Rev. F. A. McCage, Rev. Alfred Coursey and Frances Stepp

ESTIMATE OF CHURCH PROPERTY: We beg to report from information received from delegates and Church Letters the following totals: Church Property, \$468,730.00; Association Property, \$51,000.00; Grand Total, \$519,730.00.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE: We your credentials committee beg leave to report that we find the request of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Wagoner in order and recommend that they be reinstated in full fellowship. We find Brother Don Kinion sound in doctrine and recommend him for ordaination as deacon. We recommend Brother Warren Bales to full fellowship as he comes from another Association as one of our pastors. We also recommend Brother Clayton Crafton to full fellowship as a minister. — Roy Bingham, Howard Gage and Dalton Beene

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE: No. 1. Be it resolved that we bed, tape, finish sheetrock and trim and paint the dining room and kitchen, and install hot water heater and doors in Boys Dormitory.

# CO-OPERATIVE BREAKDOWN

STATE ASSOCIATION	50%
DISTRICT ASSOCIATION	40%
SCHOLARSHIP	5%
HOME MISSIONS	5%

# SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

SEPT. 14, 1965 to SEPT. 9, 1966

RECEIPTS—	1505 to 512.	•	
Balance Brought Forward			\$502.31
Sale of Pop			24.50
Transfer Holy Echoes Accou	nt from Mus	skogee bank	62.07
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Churches	Co-Op	Earmarked	Ground
Bethany	\$ 961.04	\$ 501.21	\$
Bixby	290.29	453.30	40.00
Carmel		26.20	
Checotah		1,161.67	110.00
Coweta	65.00		and the second
Duck Creek		179.34	45.00
Greenbrier		562.58	
Keefeton		93.50	5.00
Little Rock	120.00	44.00	\$
Locust Grove		1,857.63	38.76
Lowery			36.00
N. S. Broken Arrow	<b></b> .'	33.00	1
Pensacola		109.36	50.00
Porter		236.09	
Proctor Ford		3.00	
Pryor	1,570.22	902.80	* 1
Salina	126.90	5.00	60.00
Shellenbarger	80.00	60.00	
Smith Chapel		152.53	
Spavinaw	<del></del>		

Shahan Tahlequah Trinity Muskogee Wagoner Mission	374.50 97.65		411.97 20.00 130.24 20.28 90.50		33.00 5.00
So. G. R. Missions So. G. R. Woman's Auxiliary _ So. G. R. Youth Camp So. G. R. Bd. of Christian Ed.			320.50 25.00 75.00		94.00
Holy Echoes subscription C. T. S. Offering	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *		47.57 11.25 55.23		21.35
	\$6,791.03				\$ 538.11
SUBTOTALTOTAL RECEIPTS _					
					3.10
Balance: Bd. Christian Ed. 422	.99; S. G.	R. CTS	10.13, 50		
DISBURSEMENTS-				4 1	
State Office					311.256.17
So. G. R. Missions					410.01
Lewis Maner (Caretaker)					596.35
Utilities					213.43
Stewarts Station					9.15
Gilbert Tractor Co.				<del>-</del>	111.99
National C. T. S. Board					44.10 9.63
Wagoner Lumber Sullivan Hardware					19.75
Carlton Refrigeration					213.79
Charles T. Clark Co.					10.11
Chapman Tire Service		<del>-</del>			1.50
Schaefer's Office Supply					13.41
Raymond D. Wilson Agency _					238.00
Post Master					25.00 51.75
Byron Smith Printing Howard Gage					161.54
Holy Echoes					59.57
Harvey Auto Supply					221.95
Hurley's Pemco Station					10.50
Bell Service Station					6.04
Burkey Creamery (walk-in box	K)				200.00
Graham Meredith Corp. (oven) The London Co.	/				75.00 13.71
Wagoner Hardware					4.15
Jack's T. V.					46.17
Hoffman Printing (Minutes)					169.00
Harvestor O. B. C.					40.00
State Sunday School Board					35.89
Porter PlumbingCounty Clerk, Wagoner					10.50 3.00
Clerk and Treasurer, \$25.00 H	onorium <i>e</i>	ach			50.00
Pepsi Cola					23.70
State Delegate fee					40.00
Tahlequah Church					25.00
Free Will Baptist Bible Colleg					200.00
Marvin Long (file cabinet)					10.00

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Okla. Tire and Supply	<u> </u>	7.60
Lambert Coating		55.80
J. D. Stepp		150.00
Ben Beede Jr		10.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \_\_\_\_\_\_\$14,853.26 BALANCE ON HAND \_\_\_\_\_\_ 938.09

Treasurer: Ray Gwartney, 1220 E. Graham Ct., Pryor, Okla. 74361 Recommendation: Association buy an adding machine.

# QUARTERLY MEETING BUSINESS

DECEMBER 18, 1965

Resolutions Passed: No. 1. Be it resolved that this meeting authorizes the Credential Board to make Questionaires for Ministers to be examined for license, ministers coming from other Associations, and ministers coming from other denominations and that these questionaires be brought before the next Quarterly Meeting for approval.

No. 2. Be it resolved that we have programs printed of each Quarterly meeting, including the program of the Woman's Auxiliary and Master's Men Convention and at least one copy be sent to each Church, a week or so before hand for announcement.

Rev. Ray Gwartney is to have the programs of Quarterly Meetings printed. The Moderator, Ass't Moderator, Clerk and a Chairman from each standing Board prepare our programs and select the speaker for the Quarterly Meeting. Also that the Woman's Auxiliary and Master's Men turn these programs to the printer at least 30 days before Quarterly Meeting.

#### MARCH 19, 1966 -

Resolutions Passed: No. 1. To buy two ovens for kitchen, also a walk-in-box, and that Ray Gwartney be authorized to buy the walk-in-box.

### JUNE 16, 1966 —

Brother and Sister Ronnie Carner volunteered to be the Editors of the Holy Echoes. Their address: Ronnie Carner, Box 314, Bixby, Okla., 74008.

Resolution Passed. Be it resolved that this Association underwrite the salary of Brother and Sister Howard Gage for two years and that the Program Committee work out a suggested Allocation for each church.

Brother Jimmy Goines licensed to preach the gospel for one year.

Ministers coming from other Associations were Rev Fay Green Rev

Ministers coming from other Associations were Rev. Fay Green, Rev. F. A. McCage and Rev. Oren Estes.

# PROCEEDINGS OF SOUTH GRAND RIVER YOUTH CAMP

The 1966 South Grand River Youth Camp convened at the Camp Ground, Sunday, June 19, 1966, for five days of Youth Encampment.

Enrollment began at 2:00 P.M. The total enrollment was 125.

Rev. Leroy Welch from the Nashville Bible College was our Camp Evangelist. His first message was Sunday evening at 7:30.

The Monday morning assembly was spent in organizing classes. The teachers were Brother Wesley Jarman, Brother Oscar Reed, Rev. J. D. Stepp, Rev. and Mrs. Howard Gage, Sister Pearl Osborne, and Billye Gwartney. We used the C. T. S. Camp Literature and everyone seemed to enjoy the lessons very much.

We met each afternoon for Missionary Prayer Band and also sang choruses. All of our classes were in the morning.

The theme song for our Camp was "Blazing Torches", written by Sister Sue Gage who was our music director for the entire Camp.

Each evening before our regular service the boys and girls met for a grove service.

The evangelist, Brother Welch, brought many wonderful messages and there were many converted and also dedicated their lives to full time service for the Lord.

Thursday evening after our regular service, we had a time of fellowship. The cooks served hot dogs and later Sue Gage, Brother Leroy Welch, Tommy Smith, Greg Kern, Jackie Dixon and Rebecca Hightower presented a program of skits.

The Youth Camp Royalty was announced in the Thursday evening service. They were: Prince, Nicky Smith; Princess, Marion Kern; King, Mike Stuckey; Queen, Nancy Pittman.

The young people presented Brother Welch with a check for \$15.10 for his personal use. The Camp gave Rev. and Mrs. Howard Gage \$25.00 and \$25.00 to Sue Gage.

# Eighth Annual Session of the WOMAN'S DISTRICT CONVENTION

# of South Grand River Association, September 15, 1966

The eighth Annual Meeting of the South Grand River Woman's Auxiliary opened by singing "When I See the Blood", and "To the Regions Beyond", led by Sister Wanda Gage, Sherian Davis, Pianist. Prayer by Sister Marguerete Kern.

Thought for the day, "You Must Go or Send a Substitute". Devotional was given by Sister Willie Gage, missionary appointee to Africa.

Appointment of Committees by President and Vice President:

CREDENTIALS: Nelda Gwartney, Elsie Judd, Doris Pittman

FINANCE: Billye Gwartney, Pauletta Wilson, Nadine Voss REGISTRATION: Velma Moore, Dorothy Hall, Alene Goines

A special feature on State Projects was given by Doris Pittman.

A brief report from the Wagoner Mission by Lodema Crabtree.

Treasurer's report given. Motion carried to accept report.

Dismissed in prayer by Viola Carter.

The 11 o'clock worship began by the congregation singing "To God Be the Glory". The Bethany Trio sang "Without Him". The offeratory prayer was by Rev. Alfred Coursey.

Message by Rev. Ray Gwartney, using the Auxiliary theme "Reaching Forth Thru Service", Scripture John 12:25-26. Prayer by Rev. Carl Hembree.

A petitionary letter was presented from the Bethany Woman's Auxiliary. Motion carried to accept them as members of the District Auxiliary.

Sister Willie Gage was honored with a personal shower.

Nadine Voss dismissed by prayer.

Afternoon session opened by singing "I Love to Tell the Story". Devotional was given by Sister Vernie Morgan. Prayer by Evelyn Bryan.

Motion carried to accept the Recording Secretary's report.

Finance Committee reported the offering of \$25.30.

Resolutions passed were, No. 1, That we change our \$5.00 Quarterly giving to the Howard Gage Account. No. 2, That we give \$5.00 traveling expense to Sister Betty Sadler.

Registration Committee reported 7 Auxiliaries represented, 34 members, 24 visitors, 7 children, a total of 65 present.

Motion carried for District Auxiliary to help buy flowers for State Convention.

Speakers elected by vote of acclamation for December meeting, Rev. F. A. McCage as speaker, Rev. Calvin Morgan alternate.

The following officers were elected to serve this coming year:

Marguerete Kern
Elsie Judd
Lodema Crabtree
Dottie Cole
Billye Gwartney
Fern Sharp
. Nelda Gwartney
Birdie Smith
Frances Stepp
Nadine Voss
Vernie Morgan
Ruth Jarman
_ Loreca McCage

The officers were installed by Sister Betty Sadler and Sister Barbara Haas sang "I Wonder Have I Done My Best for Jesus". The prayer of dedication was by Rev. Howard Gage.

Motion carried to adjourn. Sister Roberta Hembree dismissed in prayer.

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary of South Grand River Association President: Marguerete Kern, Box 141, Locust Grove, Okla.

Treasurer: Billye Gwartney, 1220 E. Graham Ct., Pryor, Okla.

Present enrollment 83, new members 19, number lost 24, average attendance 54. Number of Auxiliaries reporting 7, Number of V. B. S. 6.

Study Course Department	Courses Conduct	ed	Attendance
Missions	4		44
Stewardship	3	O.La.	23
Manual	3		30
Evangelism	2		33
Prayer	3		20
Christian Living	5		52
Daily Bible Readers	29		

#### PROGRAM-PRAYER DEPARTMENT

Number Special Programs held, 4.

Number Weeks of Prayer conducted, 15.

Total amount of Self-Denial Offering resulting from Weeks of Prayer \$159.77.

Total number of Family Altars, 19.

Total observing Prayer Fellowship, 9.

#### PERSONAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Number making Soul-Winning Efforts, 36; number souls won, 7.

Number active in Community Missions, 56.

#### PUBLICITY DEPARTMENT Number subscribers to Free Will Baptist papers, 40. Number articles written for publication, 29. Other publicity work done, 42. PERSONAL GIFTS Special Offerings, \$79.00. Missions, \$439.70. Free Will Baptist Bible College, \$34.00. Other, \$50.00. Lodema Crabtree, Recording Secretary, 205 S. Ora, Pryor, Okla. 74361 TREASURER'S REPORT September 17, 1965 to September 15, 1966 STEWARDSHIP OF POSSESSION: Number of Auxiliary members contributing to missions \_\_\_ 91 Number of Tithers on roll at beginning of convention year 55 Present number of Tithers \_\_\_\_\_ 55 FINANCIAL REPORT: RECEIPTS— Literature \_\_\_\_\_\$ 32.81 Co-Labor 126.00 251.76 Foreign Missions National Home Missions 191.84 State Home Missions 49.64 Oklahoma Bible College \_\_\_\_\_ 167.50 Representation Fee \_\_\_\_\_\_ 33.90 Gifts for Missionaries \_\_\_\_\_ 15.00 Tithes 13.15 \_\_\_\_\_\_ 107.51 114.85 Balance Brought Forward \_\_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL RECEIPTS \_\_\_\_\_\$1,103.96 DISBURSEMENTS-Literature \_\_\_\_\_\$ 32.11 Co-Laborer \_\_\_\_\_ 122.00 Foreign Missions 286.73 National Home Missions \_\_\_\_\_ 203.82 Oklahoma Bible College \_\_\_\_\_ 167.50 State Home Missions \_\_\_\_\_ 60.64 Student Loan \_\_\_\_\_\_ 4.00 Representation Fee to State \_\_\_\_\_\_ 22.60 Printing of Minutes \_\_\_\_\_\_ 25.00 Tithes to State Treasurer 9.26 Gifts to Missionaries Geneva Poole and Jackie Owens \_\_\_\_ 30.00 10.00 Speaker Dr. J. D. O'Donnell Speaker Farrell Prater \_\_\_\_\_\_ 5.00 Speaker Betty Sadler \_\_\_\_\_ 5.00 South Grand River Association for walk-in-box \_\_\_\_\_ 94.00 Record Books 1.41

Billye Gwartney, 1220 E. Graham Ct., Pryor, Okla. 74361

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \_\_\_\_\_\$1,085.07

Stamps \_\_\_\_\_

Balance on Deposit, American National Bank of Pryor \_\_\_\_\_

6.00

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Read letters from Churches.
- 2. Reception of new Churches.
- 3. Invitation to visiting brethren to take seats.
- 4. Call for Correspondence.
- 5. Appointment of Committees.
- 6. Appointment of Correspondents.
- 7. Call for reports of Committees.
- 8. Election of Officers.
- 9. Adjournment of Association.

### RULES OF ORDER

- 1. At every meeting, business shall be opened and conducted by prayer by the Moderator or whosoever he may request.
- 2. Ministers and their wives, deacons and their wives present have seats and are allowed to take part in the discussion on all subjects and vote.
- 3. Those who speak shall rise and address the Moderator, personal reflections shall be avoided in all discussions.
- 4. No motion shall be discussed without being seconded.
- 5. When motion has been made and seconded and a member opposes the discussion, the Moderator shall put the question: "Shall it be discussed?" If negative the question shall not be discussed.
- 6. If any proposition or motion under discussion contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and a vote taken.
- 7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.
- 8. No one shall speak more than twice on any question without special leave of the Moderator.
- 9. All questions decided by a majority of the members present.
- 10. No member shall absent himself without leave of Moderator.
- 11. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected before the close of the Association, if necessary.
- 12. In future sessions of the Association, arrangements shall be made to insure two or more sermons each day, or other equivalents.
- 13. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after the organization of the Association.
- 14. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular session of the Association.

# YEARLY MEETINGS OF ANNUAL ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This yearly Meeting or Association shall be called the South Grand River Association and shall be composed of such regular organized and well-disciplined Free Will Baptist churches, conveniently located as may embody themselves under this Constitution.

Article 2. The Conference of the Yearly Meeting or Association shall consist of delegates from the several churches of which it is composed, every church being entitled to three delegates or three alternates.

Article 3. The officers of this Yearly Meeting or Association shall be a standing clerk and treasurer, and a Moderator, who shall be chosen at every session of the Yearly Meeting or Association, with such assistants as may be found necessary.

Article 4. Any well organized and well regulated Free Will Baptist church, composed of such members as conform to the practices and adopt the doctrines of the Free Will Baptist Association, as published in the Treaties of their Faith, and in Minutes of the National Association, and are in favor of all the benevolent enterprises of the denomination, may at anytime, upon application by vote of this body, become a member thereof.

Article 5. This Yearly Meeting or Association shall have power to discipline the churches of which it is composed, and to exclude them for disorderly walks, if labor proves unsuccessful; but in no case to reverse their decisions, not to interfere with any of their internal regulations.

Article 6. The sessions of this Yearly Meeting or Association shall begin on Thursday night before the third Sunday in September each year, at which time it shall be the duty of the churches of which this Yearly Meeting or Association is composed to represent themselves by letter and delegates, and report their standings, prospects, and statistics; at which time the Association shall act upon such questions and topics as may be referred to it by its respective churches and transact such business not repugnant to this Constitution, nor to the practices of the denomination, as in its judgment may promote the cause of Christ and the interest of the churches and Quarterly Meetings, within the limits of this Yearly Meeting or Association.

Article 7. This Yearly Meeting or Association shall have power to adopt any regulations or by-laws, not inconsistent with this Constitution which may be deemed essential to the further regulation of its sessions.

Article 8. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of the Yearly Meeting or Association. Such alterations to lay on table one day.

# FREE WILL BAPTIST 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 sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanctions 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 references 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 knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ".

We will not forget 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 to promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principles sacred and Christian obligations and enterprise 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 enterprise, the support of missions, the success of Sabbath schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of souls and the conversion of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

# FORM OF CHURCH CONFERENCE

- 1. Call church in conference.
- 2. Call for peace of the church.
- 3. Reading minutes of previous session.
- 4. Call visiting brethren to seats in Council.
- 5. Unfinished business.
- 6. New business.
- 7. Are any sick or in distress?
- 8. What has been done for the support of the ministry and other incidental expenses?
- 9. A call for confession.
- 10. Invitation for membership.
- 11. Adjournment.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

- 1. God: We believe in one true and living God; composed of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit equal in divine essence, power and glory. St. John 1:1, I Cor. 8:6, I John 5:7, and St. John 10:30.
- 2. We believe the Bible which is composed of scriptures of the Old and New Testament was given by inspiration of God. II Tim. 3:16, 17. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works, and only infallible rule of faith and practice. II Peter 1:19-21; II Tim. 3:14-17; Daniel 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Matt. 21-42.
- 3. We believe that God created man good, gave him a just law by which he should be governed with promise of reward for faithfulness and with penalties of punishment for disobedience. Gave man power of free moral agency to choose the right and reject the wrong, but our first parents heeded the voice of the great enemy of souls. Voluntarily transgressed the law of God. Fell with all their posterity under the just penalty of the same, and was unable of their own power to extricate or save themselves from the great dilemma into which they had fallen. God gave them the hope of salvation through the coming of Christ. Gen. 1:27; Gen. 2:16-17; Rom. 11:11-35; Psa. 37:23-34; Heb. 2:9-10.
- 4. We believe that Jesus Christ by His birth, death, burial and resurrection purchased our pardon and offered it freely to all mankind upon the principles of repentance toward God and with faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He now commands all men everywhere to repent. Therefore He sayeth, "Look unto me and be saved all the ends of the earth, for I am God and there is none else". Matt. 4:17; Isa. 45:22; Acts 20:21.

- 5. We believe that all persons dying in infancy and all idiots are saved by the atoning merits of the Son of God without any acts on their part. That persons coming to years of accountability, transgressing the law of God must upon their part exercise faith in Jesus Christ through repentance toward God, at the completion of which pardon takes place in the mind of the Father and by the Holy Spirit they pass through the ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the lamb and are planted in the kingdom of Christ. St. John 3; Matt. 10:13-22; II Cor. 7-10; Luke 18:16-17; St. John 4:11-16; Psalms 98:3; Col. 1:13.
- 6. We believe that all true believers in Christ should persevere in divine grace and in knowledge of the truth that God's grace is sufficient to help them overcome all the obstacles of life and that all the combined forces of the great enemy of souls on earth and in hell or in His eternal abode are not able to pluck them from His hand so long as they walk in the path of duty, but those who sidestep and willfully refuse or neglect to perform their duty they would backslide, and if persists continually, would be eternally lost. II Cor. 9:10; Peter 1:4-8; I Peter 2-2; Romans 8:35-39; I Cor. 10:1-13; Hebrews 12:15-17; I John 5:16; Heb. 6:6; I Tim. 4:12; Heb. 3:12; Matt. 12:31-32.
- 7. We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of believers in water, in the name of the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost. In which is represented the burial and resurrection of Christ, and only those who have come under the presbytery of elders are qualified to administer the same. Any church found guilty will be dealt with and excluded from the Association. Matt. 3:14-16; I Peter 3-21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10-47: Matt. 28-19.
- 8. We believe that the Lord's Supper and washing of feet are ordinances of the Gospel of Christ. The Lord's Supper was instituted by our Savior to commemorate His broken body and shed blood for the sins of the world, and to show our remembrance of Him until He comes. All Christians have a right to the Lord's Supper, and that right is a birthright. Let a man examine himself and so let him eat. The washing of feet was instituted by our Lord at the same time that the supper was instituted as an act of humility to show our love for each other, and both ordinances should be perpetuated by all Christians until His coming. Luke 22:19-20; I Cor. 11:20-29; St. John 13:1-8; Matt. 26:26-29.
- 9. We believe in a divine call of ministry, that God in His goodness and power of grace impresses His ministers with the burden of lost souls, to the extent the call becomes irresistible with personal conviction so that they yield to the call and exercise their native gifts according to the scriptures with a full reliance upon Him. He accompanies them in the person of the Holy Spirit to guide them in the way of truth and bless their labors according to His purpose. Jonah 1:1; Jer. 1:5; Mark 3:14; Acts 13:42-48; Matt. 28:19.
- 10. We believe that sanctification is the work of God's grace by which the soul is cleansed from all sin and wholly consecrated to Christ. It takes place in regeneration, and the Christian can and should abide in this state to the end of life, constantly growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. I Cor. 6:11; II Thes. 2:13; St. John 17:17; Heb. 12:14; Phil. 3:21-22; I Thes. 5:19-23; II Tim. 2-20.

- 11. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both the righteous and the unrighteous when the resurrection shall take place. The soul and the body shall be received into everlasting happiness to reign with God forever, but the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment. Matt. 28:6; St. John 5:28-29; I Cor. 15:51-58; Rev. 20:15; Mark 9:43-44.
- 12. We believe the soul is endless, hence does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into conscious state of happiness or misery according to the spiritual character here possessed. Phil. 1:23: Luke 23:43; Rev. 6:9; Luke 16:19-25; Matt. 10:28.
- 13. We believe that the invisible or spiritual church is the redeemed in the aggregate, is the family of God, is composed of all true Christians of every congregation, from righteous Abel to the restitution for all things from every kindred nation, tongue and people. The visible church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women, having obtained fellowship with the Lord and with each other, agreeing to keep up a good discipline and doctrine according to the rule of the gospel. Eph. 3:16-21; Heb. 12:22-23; I Peter 2:5; Acts 2:47; Eph. 2:20-22; I Thess. 1:1; Acts 16:5; John 1:10; Matt. 18-17.
- 14. We believe that there will be a general universal judgment when all men shall be judged according to their works, whether they be good or bad, and that immediately thereafter the wicked shall enter into everlasting punishment, and the righteous into eternal happiness. II Thess. 1:4-9; Rev. 14:3-23; Luke 16:23; Rev. 21:1-8; II Cor. 5:10; Matt. 12:36-37; Rev. 20:12-13.

### ARRANGEMENTS

We, your Committee on Arrangements, beg to report as follows: taking into consideration the surrounding circumstances and seeing the necessity of a rule governing the ministry and members.

Be it resolved that the Association forbid the ministers of the South Grand River Association speaking disrespectfully of one another and anyone found guilty of such conduct shall be liable to charge and dealt with as deemed necessary.

Be it resolved, that any minister of this Association aspiring to the evangelistic field, it shall be the duty of each church to assist him in his work and this Association has empowered the Moderator and Clerk with the authority to assist the evangelist with the recommendations if he be found worthy.

Be it resolved that we forbid any of our ministers challenging any denomination to debate.

Be it resolved that we forbid members of our church from giving, going to, or participating in play parties or dances and any found guilty of such offense shall be liable and charged and dealt with as may be deemed necessary, as it is the cause of young people to forsake the right way and go off in sin.

Be it resolved that we forbid our ministers or members of our churches of this Association, preaching or teaching santification as a second definite work of grace, separate or apart from the regeneration of holiness, or conversion.

Be it resolved every church that calls a minister to the pastorial care, should minister to his support as God has prospered them.

Be it resolved that any of our preachers or churches found to be tolerating the doctrine of unknown tongues, shall be considered guilty of heresy and shall be required to make acknowledgements to this body or stand suspended.

Be it resolved that doors of all church property belonging to the Free Will Baptist be open to all ministers in good standing with the Association.

Be it resolved that there be no one ordained to the ministry having two or more living companions. That from this on the minister's credentials are deemed property of this Association.

Be it resolved that we try our ministers and deacons for one year before ordination and license our ministers for one year.

Be it resolved that after this year, 1952, no one can act on more than one committee or board at one time, exclusive of the executive board.

Be it resolved that all people camped on the grounds, do not throw tin cans, etc., on grounds and that each one clean up the grounds where they are camped.

Be it resolved that any ordained minister or deacon coming into this Association be examined by the Credentials Committee.

Be it resolved we adopt the questionnaire and place a copy in the Minutes. (Copy in back of Minutes.)

Be it resolved we forbid any of our ministers or churches advocating compulsory tithing. We further recommend that we forbid our ministers or churches teaching against tithing.

Be it resolved to pay the Executive Board 3c per mile while in service for the South Grand River Association.

Be it resolved that our Moderator represent South Grand River Association in the State Association's General Board.

Be it resolved that we designate Friday night of each Association as Missionary Night, with a missionary speaker and provide the finance.

Be it resolved we have a board consisting of a member from each church to meet on Thursday before the Association to outline the business for the year, and this board be called the General Board.

Be it resolved that we do not ordain any minister until he has a work.

# QUESTIONS ON DOCTRINE

1.	Do you believe that the Scripture, the Old and New Testament, are
	the infallible word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice?
2.	Do you believe in the Trinity?
3.	Name the God Head
4.	Is salvation obtained through the Blood of Christ?
5.	Name the conditions of salvation
6.	Do you believe that speaking in an unknown tongue is evidence of
	having received the baptism of the Holy Ghost?
7.	Do you believe in a second definite work of grace or baptism of the
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8.	What composes the body of Christ?
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11.	Who are the proper subjects for baptism?
12.	Do you believe that immersion is the proper of water Baptism?
13.	Do you believe that the Lord's Supper and feet washing are divine
	ordinances and should be observed repeatedly?
14.	(a) Do you teach and practice these ordinances?
	(b) Do you practice these ordinances at night?
<b>15.</b>	Do you believe in the possibility of apostasy?
16.	Do you believe in the resurrection of the bodies of all men?
17.	Do you believe that there will be a judgment when time and man's probation will close forever and then all will be judged according
	to their works?
18.	Do you believe that immediately after the judgment the righteous will enter into eternal life, and the wicked into a state of endless
	punishment?
19.	Do you believe that Christ, at his second coming, will close the gospel
	dispensation, glorify His saints, and judge the world?
20.	I pledge myself to teach and defend the Free Will Baptist Doctrine to the best of my ability. If at any future time I preach or teach any doctrine contrary to the Free Will Baptist articles of faith, I will surrender my credentials to the Quarterly Conference of which I am a member.

Signature

# **QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MINISTERS TO BE ORDAINED**

1.	Do you have license?
2.	If you have license, how long have you carried it?
3.	By what Association were they issued?
4.	How many sermons have you preached?
5.	Where are you preaching now?
6.	Why do you want to be ordained?
7.	Are you married? How many times?
8.	If you have been married more than once, is a former companion living?
9.	How many children do you have?
10.	Is your wife a member of a F. W. B. Church?
11.	How long have you been a Christian?
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13. 14.	Is your wife willing that you be ordained? Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder your min-
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1.	How long have you been on trial?
2.	Are you the husband of one wife?
3.	Do you believe that both the Old and New Testaments to be the
	infallible word of God?
4.	Do you believe that there are three persons in the God Head? Name
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5.	Is salvation obtained through the Blood of Christ?
6.	Name the conditions of salvation
7.	Do you believe the doctrine of the unknown tongue as it is taught
	by some today?
8.	Do you believe in the Baptism of the Holy Ghost as a second definite
	work of grace?
9.	Does the Bible teach that God has an organized church here on
	earth?
10.	Do you believe that water baptism, Lord's Supper, and feet washing
	are church ordinances or Gospel ordinances?
11.	Do you believe that a believer can apostise and be lost?
12.	Do you believe in a general resurrection?
13.	Do you believe the Old and New Testaments to teach tithes and
	offerings as God's financial plan?
14.	Do you tithe to the church you are a member of?
15.	Is your wife a member of the Free Will Baptist church?
16.	Is your wife willing for you to be ordained?
17.	How much education do you have?
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# **QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MINISTERS DESIRING LICENSE**

1. Are you the husband of one wife?
2. Is your wife a member of the Free Will Baptist Church?
3. How long have you been a Christian?
4. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist?
6. Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder your min-
istry?
7. In your opinion, what is God's plan for financing His works?
8. Do you tithe to the church you are a member of?
9. How much education do you have?
10. Do you have plans to better qualify yourself for the ministry?
11. Do you believe that the scripture, the Old and New Testaments, are
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\$149.00	5.00	5.00	5.00		3.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	20.00	1	5.00	3.00	5.00		5.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	12.00	5.00	20.00	3.00	Minute Fund
\$149.00 \$39,421.50	675.00	1,350.00	600.00		750.00	4,355.00	1,516.03	1,236.50	5,445.00			1,180.33	479.00		1,275.00	4,160.00	655.00	1,560.00	1,500.00	584.50	1,413.14	3,332.00	2,800.00	3,270.00	1,285.00	Paid Pastor
\$2,570.16	38.70		30.00			210.00	90.00	95.00	252.00			99.22	322.00		210.25	80.00		60.00	286.00	40.00	132.04	154.95	120.00	250.00	100.00	Paid Evangelist
\$6,631.28		147.90	203.00		261.33	90.00	198.00	105.77	1,570.22			50.00				912.51	120.00		120.00	120.00	60.00	580.76	770.46	360.29	961.04	Co-Op Plan & Assoc.
\$4,144.14		37.40	15.00	 	90.36		645.11		718.00		 	96.86	25.00		1.88	851.94	1	66.50	830.58	57.09	26.20	223.96	1	53.94	414.32	Foreign Missions
\$1,905.21	1	36.33	6.00	 		40.00	263.87		99.00			58.00	180.68		119.00	705.32	45.00	40.00	22.46		6.30	256.75		6.50	20.00	Home Missions
\$6,746.95	154.91	197.91	204.00		353.52	219.50	271.76	153.15	1,367.50			143.83			230.55	552.30	84.74	145.82	232.27	407.89	91.48	517.40	250.58	775.79	392.05	Literature & Education
\$30,395.26 \$471,730.00	519.20	1,778.00	4,213.10		1,018.00	3,439.84	1,075.39	954.75	6,966.86			71.80	268.96		535.98		330.22	402.00	1,162.99		53.32	117.53	1,933.92	5,553.40		Building & Repairs
\$471,730.00	20,000.00	35,000.00	20,000.00	8,000.00	12,500.00	32,000.00	16,830.00	10,000.00	55,000.00	5,000.00	7,500.00	16,200.00	20,000.00		7,500.00	27,000.00	14,000.00	10,000.00	17,000.00	1,200.00	7,000.00	30,000.00	15,000.00	50,000.00	<b>3</b> 5,000.00	Value of Church Property
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