

Duplicate

MINUTES

of the

*SOUTH GRAND RIVER
ASSOCIATION*

of

FREE WILL BAPTISTS

SEPTEMBER 17-18, 1993

One Hundredth

Anniversary

Annual Session

The Territorial Free Will Baptist Association was formed in 1893. This name remained until Oklahoma Statehood, November 16, 1907, when it became known as Grand River Association of Free Will Baptists. In those early days the boundaries of the Association were the Arkansas and Kansas lines, the Canadian and Arkansas Rivers to the South, and roughly the Tulsa area to the West.

Rev. James M. Roberts was instrumental in organizing the Association. The 1923 Minutes noted that a Bro. John W. Graham of Salina passed away and that Rev. Roberts was the only surviving charter member. Others of our great pioneer ministers such as G.W. Benton helped the Association but were not part of the original organizing team.

In the 1905 Minutes, the New Union Church near Coweta joined the Association. In 1906 the name changed to Shahan and the annual association was convened there. It is believed the Shahan church is the oldest church in our Association.

Many great men of God helped build this Association, and gave many years to the ministry: G. W. Benton (dec. 1950)-62 years; James N. Musgrave (dec. 1970)-67 years; R. J. Howard-42 years; T.E. Dearduff-56 years. Others in the early days included W.A. Hearn, R.A. Ketchum, J. M. Jackson, and, in more modern times, J.W. Gage, T.H. Dixon, Jesse Pilant, Bill Ketchum, Carl Hembree, Edd Sunday, Virgil Florence, E.B. Condit and others. In the early days, the minutes included the minister's record of sermons, weddings, funerals, etc. Some of them preached 200 sermons a year and conducted many funerals.

Research shows that the Association had only one ordained woman minister, Mrs. A.T. Hicks of Clear Creek. I heard her preach many times. She had 20 years of ministry and died in 1950.

In 1956 there arose irreconcilable differences among the brethren and the Association divided. In 1960 the name South Grand River Association became the name we now use. Prior to that (1958) new grounds were purchased at Wagoner for meetings and camps. Later those grounds were sold and the money put in savings to help finance our endeavors.

In our present Minutes you will see names of faithful ministers and lay people who have kept our Association going for the glory of God. I would like to see an extensive history written about our Association so everyone could enjoy reading about its organization and growth.

Many thanks to the following who helped bring this material together: Rev. Otho Brock, Rev. Larry Haggard, Rev. Bob Ketchum, and Rev. Clarence Hearn.

MINUTES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION

OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

When convened September 18, 1993 at the
Hillcrest Free Will Baptist Church
in Wagoner, Oklahoma.

ASSOCIATION OFFICERS:

Moderator: Ray Gwartney - Rt. 1, Box 1615
Locust Grove, Ok. 74352
(918) 479-5764

Assistant

Moderator: Howard Gage - Rt. 2, Box 108
Pryor, Ok. 74361
(918) 825-4919

Clerk: Marguerite Kern - PO Box 141
Locust Grove, Ok. 74352
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Assistant

Clerk: Mary Darland - Rt. 4, Box 311
Wagoner, Ok. 74467
(918) 462-7173

Treasurer: Dennis Kern - PO Box 141
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Treasurer: Les Kern - PO Box 257
Locust Grove, Ok. 74352
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SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION IS A MEMBER
OF THE STATE AND NATIONAL
ASSOCIATIONS OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

**DATES TO REMEMBER OF THE
SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION**

QUARTERLY MEETINGS & RESPONSIBLE FOR SPEAKERS

1st Meeting: December 18, 1993 - Executive Board
2nd Meeting: March 19, 1994 - Mission Board
3rd Meeting: June 18, 1994 - C.E. Board
Ann. Meeting: Sept. 17, 1994 - Executive Board

All meetings will be held at the Hillcrest Free
Will Baptist Church in Wagoner, Ok. (9:00 a.m.)

CHURCH CAMPS

Teen Camp - June 14-18, 1994 -(for those who
have completed 7th-12th grades)
Crosspoint Camp at Lake Texhoma

Junior Camp - There will be (2) different weeks
offered this year, but campers
can only attend one. (those who
have completed, 3rd-6th grades)
June 20-24 or July 4-8, 1994.

DISTRICT C.T.S. COMPETITION

April 9th, 1994 - Time and place to be announced

STATE C.T.S. COMPETITION

May 14th, 1994 - at the Oklahoma Baptist
University Campus.

ALL BOARDS MEETINGS

November 11th, 1993
February 10th, 1994
May 12th, 1994
August 11th, 1994

All meetings will be held at the Hillcrest Free
Will Baptist Church in Wagoner, Oklahoma (7:00pm)

STANDING BOARDS

EXECUTIVE BOARD

- 7 yr. Louis Maxwell - PO Box 144, Rose, Ok. 74364
(918) 479-5935
- 6 yr. James Crow - 4930 W. 1st, Tulsa, Ok. 74127
(918) 585-5823
- 5 yr. Berneil Rogers - HC 11, Box 177, Tahlequah,
(918) 456-4429 Ok. 74464
- 4 yr. Terrell Holland - PO Box 1074, Haskell, Ok.
(918) 482-5846 74436
- 3 yr. Clayton Crafton - Rt. 3, Box 93, Wagoner, Ok.
(918) 485-8233 74467
- 2 yr. Ollie Wright - 907 NE 11th, Wagoner, Ok.
(918) 485-2672 74467
- 1 yr. Bill Walker - 124 W. Waco Pl., Broken Arrow,
(918) 455-6748 74012

EXAMINING BOARD

- 5 yr. Howard Gage - Rt. 2, Box 108, Pryor, Ok.
(918) 825-4919 74361
- 4 yr. Cardell Coppin - Rt. 2, Box 290, Muskogee, Ok.
(918) 989-5250 74401
- 3 yr. Glenn Lewis - 1220 E. Graham Ct., Pryor, Ok.
(918) 825-2428 74361
- 2 yr. Francis Berka - Rt. 2, Box 504, Adair, Ok.
(918) 785-2675 74330
- 1 yr. Robert Sharry - PO Box 155, Twin Oaks, Ok.
(918) 868-2918 74368

STANDING BOARDS
(continued)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

5 yr. Harry Standley - PO Box 67, Welling, Ok.	
(918) 696-7869	74471
4 yr. Shawn Bassham - PO Box 1152, Pryor, Ok.	
(918) 825-0007	74362
3 yr. Les Kern - PO Box 257, Locust Grove, Ok.	
(918) 479-8603	74352
2 yr. Willie Brown - PO Box 792, Haskell, Ok.	
(918) 482-5604	74436
1 yr. Robert Spencer - 901 S. Elliot, Pryor, Ok.	
(918) 825-0236	74361

MISSION BOARD

5 yr. Jeff Harris - Rt. 2, Box 422, Adair, Ok.	
(918) 785-2676	74330
4 yr. Gary Elder - 13110 S. 79 E. Ave., Bixby, Ok.	
(918) 369-2381	74008
3 yr. Billye Gwartney - Rt. 1, Box 1615, Locust	
(918) 479-5764	Grove Ok., 74352
2 yr. Brian Gibson - 120 E. McKennon, Bixby, Ok.	
(918) 366-3137	74008
1 yr. Howard E. Gwartney - PO Box 217, Locust	
(918) 479-5456	Grove, Ok. 74352

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
1993 - 1994 DISTRICT OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: Carolyn Smith - 1230 S. E. 2nd Ct.
Pryor, Ok. 74361 - (918) 825-4613

VICE

PRESIDENT: Wanda Gage - Rt. 2, Box 94, Pryor,
Ok. 74361 - (918) 825-3416

SECRETARY: Marguerite Kern - PO Box 141, Locust
Grove, Ok. 74352 (918) 479-5941

TREASURER: Bettye DeFoor - 3740 S. 30th St. W.
Muskogee, Ok. 74401-(918) 682-1772

MISSION ACTION CHAIRMAN: Karen Vich

MISSION PRAYER CHAIRMAN: Rhonda Thomas

MISSION STUDY CHAIRMAN: Willie Gage

FIELD WORKER: Pat Lewis

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
(Annual Minutes - 1993)

The Annual District Woman's Auxiliary met September 17, 1993.

Presiding Carolyn Smith, president.

Song Leader: Marilyn Hobbs

Pianist: Mary Jo Troglen

Opening song: "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart".

Devotional given by Billye Gwartney, with theme
"It's more blessed to give than to receive".

Acts 20:35b.

Minutes read by Marguerite Kern motion carried
to receive. Treasurer's report given by Bettye
DeFoor, motion carried to receive. Brief report
given by Pat Lewis our field worker.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY MINUTES

(continued)

Report given by Karen Vich, mission action chairman. An offering was brought by the women for the Nichols' winter clothes, \$330.00 was given. Mission prayer report was given by Willie Gage. Nominations were opened for district study chairman vacated by Jane Price. Rhonda Thomas was elected by acclamation.

Credentials committee was appointed by the president. Lodema Crabtree, Cindy Gay, Mary Darland, Marguerite Kern, Bettye DeFoor and Wanda Gage, chairperson. Dismissed for a break.

2nd Session: Opened with a song, "Freely, Freely" led by Marilyn Hobbs.

Credentials report given by Wanda Gage. We had (8) auxiliaries reporting with (104) members, with a total of \$338.00 representation fees sent to the state treasurer.

Registration report: (35) members, (7) visitors with a total of (42). Offering received (\$79.25). Special music by Greenbrier "I'll Sail Away Home" and "Open Up The Pearly Gates".

Our speaker was Mary Alice Bridgman, state president. Her subject was "The grace of giving of ourselves to our community".

Prayer by Mary Alice.

Billye Gwartney led in a dismissal prayer and asked the blessing on the food. Closed with a covered dish luncheon.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 100th
SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
1st - 2nd - 3rd - and Annual Quarterly Minutes

1st Quarterly Minutes - December 19, 1992

Opening prayer: Robert Sharry

Opening song: "He Keeps Me Singing", led by
Joel Greeson

Pianist: Clayton Crafton

Presiding: Ray Gwartney

Scripture reading: John 15:5-13 by Howard Gage

Welcome by Ray Gwartney, meeting called to order.

Delegates were seated. Motion carried for chair
to appoint committees: Resolution Committee:

Francis Berka (chr.)

Joel Greeson

Glenn Lewis

Recognition of visitors.

Bro. Willard Kiper gave an apology for actions
at the last meeting, apology was accepted.

Bro. Homer Young gave a report on State Home
Missions. He is planning to start a church at
El Reno.

Bro. Bob Thomas spoke on behalf of Jalayn Martens
and Glennda Leatherbury to help get them back
to the Ivory Coast.

Bro. Connie Cariker gave a report on the state
work, including state missions. He also reported
that Hillsdale will meet with Board of Regents
to decide about accreditation.

Dennis Kern gave the treasurers report. Motion
carried to receive the report.

Mission Board report given by Howard Gage. Bro.
Terry Van Winkle to represent Home Missions and
Bro. Steve Reeves to represent Foreign Missions
at our Mission Rallies the 11th & 12th of March.
West Rally is the 11th at the Haskell and the
East Rally is the 12th at the Westside in Pryor.

1st Quarterly Meeting minutes continued

CE Board and Executive Committee gave a combined report. since it requires a Constitutional change it was tabled until the March quarterly meeting (see attached report). Motion carried to change Article X of the Constitution.

Article X: AMMENDENTS: This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at any regular yearly meeting of this Association, and such alteration lay on the table at least one Quarterly Meeting before the annual meeting.

Article X: PROPOSED CHANGES TO READ: This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting of this Association, and such alteration lay on the table at least one Quarterly Meeting.

Motion carried to table until Annual Meeting.
Dismissed for break. Prayer by Ollie Wright.

2nd Session:

Opening Song - "Breathe On Me" led by Joel Greeson
Prayer by Willard Kiper. Resolutions Committee report given. Motion carried to accept report and vote item by item.

#1. Be it resolved that the South Grand River Association give \$300.00 each to Homer Young, Jalay Martens and Glennda Leatherbury, to help with the financial needs in their respective ministries. Carried.

#2. Be it resolved that the Christian Education Board shall set policy of sustenance and disbursement of funds allotted, keeping in mind the obligations and responsibilities to the Association and the obligation to our youth made in previous years. Carried to become a standing resolution.

Motion carried to adjourn business.

1st Quarterly Meeting minutes continued

Worship Session:

Song "I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You",
by Homer Young.

Message by Bro. Larry Haggard.

Scripture - Numbers 16; Matthew 7:22-23.

Prayer by Bro. Larry.

Title of message - "Four Great Tragedies", it
was a very timely message.

Closing prayer by Bro. Shawn Bassham.

RECOMMENDED MOTIONS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES tabled December 19, 1992

1. The Christian Education Board and Executive Officers move to re-allocate moneys, due to the increase of camp fees and competition expenses, to fulfill the CE Board's duties and responsibilities to the Association, and the obligation to our youth made in previous years:

Present Allocation of moneys

Interest Earnings
25% CE Account
25% Hillsdale College
25% Home Missions
25% Foreign Missions

Co-op Earnings
60% State Co-op
10% District Assn.
20% Hillsdale College
5% Missions
5% CE Account

Proposed Re-Allocation of moneys

Interest Earnings
30% CE Account
30% Hillsdale College
20% Home Missions
20% Foreign Missions

Co-op Earnings
55% State Co-op
10% District Assn.
20% Hillsdale College
5% Missions
10% CE Account

2. We move to amend the Constitution of the South Grand River Association; ARTICLE V; BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION; the second paragraph shall read:

1st Quarterly Minutes continued

"The funding of these programs shall be sustained by a percentage of District Co-op earnings and also a percentage of interest earnings from the proceeds of the sale of the District Camp Grounds set by allocation. Upon the result of lack of moneys, the CE Board shall set policy of sustenance and disbursement of funds allotted".

3. ARTICLE X: AMENDMENTS: This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at any regular yearly meeting of this Association, and such alteration lay on the table at least one Quarterly Meeting before the annual meeting.

ARTICLE X: PROPOSED CHANGES TO AMENDMENTS: .
This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting of this Association, and such alteration lay on the table at least one Quarterly Meeting.

Minutes of the South Grand River Association
2nd Quarterly Meeting - March 20, 1993

Opening song "Victory In Jesus" led by Bro. Bob Thomas. Prayer by Bro. Gary Elder. Devotion given by Bro. Howard Gage using II Cor. 6. Names of delegates were read. Delegates were seated.

Motion carried for chair to appoint Resolution Committee. Those appointed were: Clayton Crafton

Jess Stepp

Berneil Rogers

Motion carried to accept previous minutes as read. Treasurers report given by Dennis Kern. Motion carried to accept.

Motion carried to accept Examining Board report.

Four deacons: Mike Pendegraft, Harold G. Fogleman
Archie Fain, Jr. and Richard W.
Campbell were recommended to be
ordained at their church's pleasure

Mission Board report given by Bro. Howard Gage.

Motion carried to accept.

Oral report of the Woman's Auxiliary was given.

CE Board report given by Shawn Bassham:

1. Fees for competitive entries to be paid by local church.
2. Letter to be sent with explanation to each church.
3. Recommend that we enforce standing resolution #19.
4. Campers are asked to pay \$30.00 of their camp fee.

Motion carried to vote on previous question.

Motion carried to accept CE Board report. See report.

Motion carried to vacate office of the CE Board of those who have not attended board meetings.

Motion carried to elect bottom three men as listed in minutes of the CE Bd.

Willie Brown 3 yr.

Robert Spencer 2 yr.

Bob Thomas 1 yr.

2nd Quarterly Meeting continued:

Letter read from Bro. Mike King in appreciation of the help given by the association.

Letter from Smith Chapel read concerning examining of their two deacons.

Letter of resignation from Steve Turner as assistant clerk was read. Motion carried to accept.

Billye Gwartney was elected to fill the rest of the term.

Prayer of dismissal for refreshments by Bro. Clayton Crafton.

2nd Session:

Opening song - "Love Lifted Me" by Bro. Charles King. Prayer by Willard Kiper.

Motion carried to accept Resolution Committee report and vote on item by item.

Be it resolved: 1. That the Mission Board give mission prayer requests at each quarterly meeting and the annual meeting.

2. That South Grand River Association contribute \$300.00 toward the support of Traci Epps, a member of the Locust Grove FWB Church, who is going to be a summer missionary.

Motion carried to adjourn business.

Worship Service was opened with a song by Ruth Bivens "At The Cross". She sang the last chorus in Spanish.

Bro. Steve Reeves, our missionary to Spain, brought the morning message using, II Tim. 2:1-10. He also talked about his work in Spain. The session was closed by prayer.

2nd Quarterly Meeting continued
with C.E. Board report.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

-FORMER RECOMMENDATION TO THE GENERAL BODY

M2C: The C. E. Board recommends that the \$5000.00 indebtedness to the District Association be forgiven. We recommend the association treasurer be authorized to withdraw the necessary funds to cover the balance of the youth camp fees not covered by the \$30.00 per camper. We recommend that this action only be implemented for 1993.

-PROPOSAL

Retract previous motion for the following proposal. The C. E. Board recommends that the District Association forgive the \$5000.00 indebtedness due in part by the high cost of state camp fees in 1992.

We therefore recommend that the District C. E. Board will pay \$45.00 per camper, who attends faithfully one of our sister churches, as well as \$35.00 per counselor who attends state camp. Campers may only attend one camp. We recommend that this action only be implemented for 1993.

Minutes of the South Grand River Association
3rd Quarterly Meeting - June 19, 1993

Scripture read: Psalm 22, 23:1 and 24:1-8
Declared in business. Reading of delegates,
delegates seated. Greenbrier delegates named
from floor - Velva Meaders and Bonnie Smith.
Northside delegates named from floor - Pete
Flowers, Faye Kelley and Ron Martin.

Committees: Resolution - motion from moderator
to appoint, motion carried - H. D. Ratliff, Walt
Smith and Mike King.

Asst. Moderator - Bro. Shawn Bassham appointed
for this session. Elected by acclamation.

Visitors recognized - Bro. Berton Perry repre-
senting State Office -Oklahoma State Missions.
Report work at Fort Gibson, Hugo, East Latimer,
El Reno. Next work at Grove, Oklahoma to start
Free Will Baptist Church.

Bro. Homer Young gave report on work at El Reno,
average (41) worship service, selling land by
the yard to purchase land.

Bro. Jim Shepherd, Hillsdale Free Will Baptist
accreditation hearing August 4th. Have a Heart
offering for Hillsdale in February.

Statistical report read and approved.

Information given on Vian FWB Church. Pastor
resigned.

Request for letter from District for Bro. Joel
Greeson to First Mission Association. (Liberty
Heights FWB Church). Motion, second and carried
to send letter.

Treasurer report given by Bro. Ray Gwartney.
Motion, second and carried to receive report
as printed.

Report from Executive Board read. September
speaker Ollie Wright, December speaker, Ray
Gwartney. Motion, second and carried on Executive
Board report.

3rd Quarterly Meeting continued

Report from Examining Board. Recommend Bro. Steve Davis to be licensed to preach. He is from Checotah FWB Church. Motion, second and carried. No report from Mission Board.

CE Board report read. MSC report on CTS Competition. Proposal to change amount paid on campers and amount on indebtedness read. Motion and second. Discussion. Motion carried.

Auxiliary report. Bro. Danny and Sister Shirley were our guests.

Prayer of dismissal by Bro. Cardell Coppin for break.

2nd Session:

Open with singing, "I Am Resolved", led by Bro. Mike King, pianist Bro. Bob Thomas. Prayer by Ollie Wright.

Resolution Committee report given.

(1). Give \$500.00 to Hillsdale, MSC.

(2). Change article V Sec. I concerning who the CE Board pays for concerning camps. Motion, second and carried.

Bro. Ray Gwartney reminded all chairmen of different boards to be present at next General Board meeting to serve on Nominating Committee. Motion, second and carried to adjourn business. Special music by Bro. Charles King, "And He Cares About You".

Speaker Bro. Jim Shepherd.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:

- I. Be it resolved that we give Hillsdale \$500. out of our general fund. Walt Smith & Mike King.
- II. Amend the Constitution of SGRA Article V, Section I. -Duties of the CE Board say:
 - (1). "The disbursements of funds to cover registration for our youth from our Assoc. to attend a Free Will Baptist Youth Camp. from: "The disbursements of funds to cover registration for our youth from our Assoc. to attend Youth Camp". The only addition being "A Free Will Baptist".

Proceedings of the 100th Annual Session of the
South Grand River Association of Free Will
Baptists - September 18, 1993

Presiding moderator - Ray Gwartney

Song leader: Bob Thomas - Pianist: Clayton Crafton

Opening song - "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms"

Opening prayer - O. T. Dixon

Scripture reading - Matthew 5:2-12

Rules of order read by Howard Gage.

Names of delegates were read and the delegates were seated.

Motion carried for chair to appoint committees.

Resolution Committee: Francis Berka (chr.)

Robert Spencer

Terrell Holland

Visitors recognized were: Dianna & Gabriel

Gonzales visiting from Mexico with Ruth & Bud

Bivens. Derrell Nichols, Lynn Wood, Homer

Young and O. T. Dixon.

Lynn Wood spoke for National Home Missions, urging everyone to receive an offering for Benjamin Randall day.

Homer Young shared about the future church in El Reno.

O.T. Dixon gave greetings from Checotah.

Bob Thomas gave a report on "Have A Heart for Hillsdale". Financial aid has been re-instated for our students.

Motion carried to grant letters of recommendation for Willard Kiper and Foster Haikey.

Treasurers report given by Dennis Kern.

Motion carried to receive. (See reports)

Obituary report read and special prayer was made for the families led by Howard Gage (See reports.)

Christian Education Board & Executive officers move to re-allocate moneys from sale of the campgrounds.

Motion carried to move item #1 from table.

Motion sustained to accept recommendation.

100th Annual Meeting continued

Previous question was called for, motion carried
(See reports.)

No report for Executive Board.

Credential report read, motion carried to receive
entire report. (See reports.)

Mission Board report given, motion carried to
receive. (See reports.)

CE Board report given by Shawn Bassham, motion
carried to take item #2 from table. Motion
carried to accept.

Motion carried to remove item #3 and #4 from
table, motion carried.

Motion carried to accept item #3 and item #4.

Nominating Committee report was given and board
members elected. Officers were elected by
acclamation. (See reports.)

Dismissed for break. Prayer by Harry Standley.

2nd Session:

Second session opened with a song, "Standing
On The Promises" led by Homer Young. Opening
prayer by Bob Spencer.

There was no other business. Motion carried
to adjourn.

A word of thanks for support was given by Howard
Gwartney, missionary builder.

Special song by Dianna & Gabriel Gonzales from
Reynosa, Mexico, "Let's Throw Out The Net".

Sermon by Bro. Ollie Wright. Text was II Tim.
4:1-2. Title "Why Preach". It was a great
message!!

Dismissed in prayer.

OBITUARY REPORT - 1993

- Bixby: O. J. Gammle and Ethel Ham Spencer
- Checotah: Velma Hood and Luther Spears
- Greenbrier: Mamie Brown
- Haskell: Senna May Ridley, Fred Foster,
Robert L. "Fate" Morris,
Thayer Mangrum, Ed Fousel & Georgia
Fousel.
- Hillcrest: Jeanie Light
- Keefeton: Orela Lowe
- Locust Grove: V. B. Roberts and Mary Bible
- Pryor, 1st: Floyd Timmons and Lona Hair
- Shahan: Wayne Reed
- Shellenbarger: Lillian Cagle, Ed Gaither,
Hartley John Hill & Netta Trotter
- Trinity, Muskogee: Richard "Pete" Puckett,
Richard Darnell,
Beulah Ledbetter and Edith
Eddowes
- Valley Heights: John Brewer

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

- Members: Ray Gwartney
Bill Walker
Louis Maxwell
Shawn Bassham
Howard Gage

Nominating Committee report continued

Recommended the following to be elected as officers:

Moderator	- Ray Gwartney
Asst. Moderator	- Howard Gage
Clerk	- Marguerite Kern
Asst. Clerk	- Mary Darland
Treasurer	- Dennis Kern
Asst. Treas.	- Les Kern

Board Members:

Executive Board	- Louis Maxwell
Examining Board	- Howard Gage
C. E. Board	- Harry Standley
Mission Board	- Jeff Harris

MISSION BOARD REPORT

Treasurer's Report:

Balance - September 16, 1992	578.14
Mission Board Allocation	2,473.40
Mission Rallies (Churches)	4,164.95
Share Dividend	19.18
	\$ 7,235.67

Expenditures:

Van Winkle (Churches Rallies)	
Reeves (Churches Rallies)	4,164.95
Mission Board Rallies	1,650.23
Bryan, Morgan & Nichols (60% Allocations)	1,212.71
	\$ 7,027.89

Balance in treasure	\$ 207.78
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**CO-OP
ALLOCATION**

State Co-op	55%
Association	10%
Christian Ed. Board	10%
Mission Board	5%
Hillsdale	20%

CREDENTIALS REPORT

- #1. We recommend Bro. Marlin Bivens be accepted upon letter from previous association.
- #2. We recommend Bro. Ronnie Martin be ordained, as a deacon, at the churches pleasure.
- #3. We recommend that Bro. Steve Hendrix be accepted upon letter from previous association.

We the Credential Board recommend that Paul Roberts and O.T. Dixon be received in the South Grand River Association of Free Will Baptist as ordained ministers upon receipt of letter from their former associations.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

- 1. The Christian Education Board and Executive Officers move to re-allocate moneys, due to the increase of camp fees and competition expenses, to fulfill the C. E. Board's duties and responsibilities to the Association, and the obligation to our youth made in previous years:

Resolution Committee report continued

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3. ARTICLE X:

AMENDMENTS: This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-third majority vote of the members present at any regular yearly meeting of this Association, and such alteration lay on the table at least one Quarterly Meeting before the annual meeting.

Resolution Committee report continued

ARTICLE X:

PROPOSED CHANGES TO AMENDMENTS: This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting of this Association, and such alteration lay on the table at least one Quarterly Meeting.

Resolution #4:

Amend the Constitution of South Grand River Association Article V, Section (1) -Duties of the Board of Christian Education to say:

- (1) "The disbursements of funds to cover registration for our youth from our Association to attend a Free Will Baptist Youth Camp. (Only change being the addition of "A Free Will Baptist Youth Camp.")
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EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

NO REPORT

STATISTIC REPORT

Church	Members received	Bapt.	Total Membership/Avg.	S.S.
BIXBY	6	3	241	80
CARMEL	23	9	68	30
CHANCE COMMUNITY	1	0	16	16
CHECOTAH	20	20	388	202
FREE WILL BAPTIST WORSHIP CENTER	3	0	33	44
GREENBRIER	4	9	159	0
HASKELL	10	5	338	121
HILLCREST	4	0	59	40
KEEFETON	0	2	0	99
LITTLEROCK	0	0	65	40
LOCUST GROVE	26	18	424	189
LOWERY	2	3	95	59
NORTHSIDE, BA	6	6	40	65
PENSACOLA	1	0	15	0
PRYOR, 1st	8	1	269	139
SALINA, 1st	3	0	45	52
SHAHAN	6	4	96	37
SHELLENBARGER	2	0	107	53
SMITH CHAPEL	0	0	99	25
TAHLEQUAH	0	0	35	30
TRINITY, MUSKOGEE	3	1	62	40
VALLEY HEIGHTS	4	3	70	33
VIAN	5	0	35	30
WESTSIDE, PRYOR	1	0	58	75
TOTALS	136	84	2802	1504

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

1993 SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION MINUTES & DELEGATES FEES

CHURCHES	MINUTES	DELE. & FEES	CH. PROP.
BIXBY	10.00	35.00	\$385,000.00
CARMEL	0	35.00	360,000.00
CHANCE			
COMMUNITY	50.00	35.00	85,000.00
CHECOTAH	5.00	35.00	300,000.00
FWB WORSHIP			
CENTER	10.00	35.00	150,000.00
GREENBRIER	20.00	35.00	127,500.00
HASKELL	100.00	35.00	275,000.00
HILLCREST	5.00	35.00	225,000.00
KEEFETON	25.00	35.00	500,000.00
LITTLEROCK	5.00	35.00	100,000.00
LOCUST GROVE	25.00	35.00	600,000.00
LOWERY	15.00	35.00	150,000.00
NORTHSIDE, BA	40.00	35.00	207,000.00
PENSACOLA	5.00	35.00	50,000.00
PRYOR, 1st	20.00	35.00	240,000.00
SALINA, 1st	15.00	35.00	203,000.00
SHAHAN	20.00	35.00	112,000.00
SHELLENBARGER	10.00	35.00	500,000.00
SMITH CHAPEL	0	35.00	100,000.00
TAHLEQUAH	5.00	35.00	212,000.00
TRINITY,			
MUSKOGEE	5.00	35.00	200,000.00
VALLEY HEIGHTS	5.00	35.00	204,000.00
VIAN	5.00	35.00	200,000.00
WESTSIDE,			
PRYOR	5.00	35.00	400,000.00
TOTALS	405.00	840.00	\$5,885,500.00

SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
9-19-92 to 9-18-93

BALANCE ON HAND 9-19-92

\$ 4,979.59

RECEIPTS:

CHURCH	COOPERATIVE	DESIGNATED	TOTAL
BIXBY	600.00	10.00	610.00
CARMEL	100.00		100.00
CHECOTAH	478.50	13,162.58	13,641.08
GREENBRIER	229.00	6,186.80	6,415.80
HASKELL	250.00	5,013.40	5,263.40
HILLCREST WAGONER	2,727.91	1,938.50	4,666.41
KEEFETON	8,400.14	5,265.06	13,665.20
LITTLE ROCK	408.75	601.25	1,010.00
LOCUST GROVE	12,870.00	29,871.50	42,741.50
LOWERY	2,917.00	5,176.75	8,093.75
N/S BROKEN ARROW	96.28	667.41	763.69
PENSACOLA			.00
PRYOR FIRST	7,538.47	9,887.21	17,425.68

SALINA FIRST	2,264.04	352.28	2,616.32
SHAHAN	135.00	1,845.00	1,980.00
SHELLENBARGER	3,087.00	2,967.76	6,054.76
SMITH CHAPEL		440.00	440.00
TAHLEQUAH	770.26	1,649.46	2,419.72
TRINITY MUSKOGEE	2,766.68		2,766.68
VALLEY HEIGHTS			.00
VIAN	1,341.36	64.00	1,405.36
WEST SIDE PRYOR	490.00	4,570.59	5,060.59
STATE DELEGATE FEES		1,255.00	1,255.00
REFUND - RANDALL HOUSE		9.00	9.00
CE COMPETITION FEES		255.00	255.00
WILLARD KIPER		305.00	305.00
MISSION BOARD		7,189.99	7,189.99
92 INTEREST EARNINGS		<u>12,888.70</u>	<u>12,888.70</u>
PLUS BALANCE ON HAND 9-19-92 (SHOWN ABOVE)	47,470.39	111,572.24	159,042.63
			<u>4,979.59</u>
LESS DISBURSEMENTS (BELOW)			164,022.22
			<u>-160,669.76</u>
BALANCE ON HAND 9-19-93			\$ 3,352.46

DISBURSEMENTS:

State Assn of Free Will Baptists (Coop & Designated)	146,996.75
Mission Board Allocation	2,373.38
Hillcrest FWB Church - Quarterly Meeting Expense	600.00
Dennis Kern - Prepare Monthly, Quarterly & Annual Reports	600.00
Bulletins	16.50
State Delegate Fees	840.00
Hillsdale FWR College - Scholarships	1,500.00
Postage	108.70
Printing Minutes	530.80
Ray Gwartney - State Board Meeting Expense	100.00
Linda Butler - Type Minutes	182.00
IRS - Soc Sec Tax	91.80
Treasurers Honorarium	300.00
Clerks Honorarium	300.00
Hillsdale FWB College - Adv in Yearbook	150.00
Traci Epps - Summer Missionary	300.00
Competition Materials - CE Board	19.75
CE Entry Fees	329.00
Piano Rental - CE Competition	100.00
CE Competition Judges	180.00
Honorarium - Jim Shepherd	200.00
Posting Error - Dr.	1.00
Ledger Sheets - Records	15.08
Camp Fees	
	<u>4,835.00</u>
Total Disbursements	160,669.76

SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION
RECEIVED FOR HILLSDALE FREE WILL BAPTIST COLLEGE

CHURCH	9-19-92 to 9-18-93	Allocations & Interest Earnings	Sharing the Vision 20% of Coop & Gifts	Have A. Heart	TOTALS
BIXBY			120.00		120.00
CARMEL			20.00		20.00
CHECOTAH	355.00		95.71		450.71
GREENBRIER	417.00		45.80		462.80
HASKELL	150.00		50.00	500.00	700.00
HILLCREST	21.00		545.67	1,027.00	1,593.67
KEEFETON	1,152.00		1,680.10		2,832.10
LITTLE ROCK	276.25		81.77		358.02
LOCUST GROVE	3,045.00		5,149.00	2,500.00	10,694.00
LOWERY	450.00		583.40	1,345.00	2,378.40
N/S BROKEN ARROW	360.00		19.29		379.29
WILLARD KIPER				305.00	305.00
PPYOR FIRST	4,775.01		1,507.80		6,282.81
SALINA FIRST			452.82		452.82
SHAHAN	225.00		27.00	500.00	752.00
SHELLENBARGER			617.40		617.40
TAHLEQUAH			153.98		153.98
TRINITY MUSKOGEE	553.40				553.40
VIAN	75.00		268.37		343.37
WEST SIDE PRYOR	85.00		98.00		183.00
ASSN - Interest	3,222.17			1,420.00	4,642.17
Earnings 92					
TOTALS	14,608.43		12,069.51	7,597.00	34,274.94

 FINANCIAL REPORT ON PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF CAMPGROUNDS PROP. 9-18-93

6-19-93	Balance in Investment Account	38,120.11
6-20-93	Tahlequah Church Loan Payment	238.92
6-20-93	Interest on \$65,000. CD	179.42
7-7-93	CELF Monthly Interest	583.33
7-12-93	Tahlequah Church - Loan Payment	238.92
6-29-93	Monthly Interest on Investment Account	103.43
7-20-93	Interest on \$65,000. CD	173.63
7-29-93	Monthly Interest on Investment Account	96.78
8-3-93	CELF Monthly Interest	583.33
8-31-93	CELF Monthly Interest	583.33
9-13-93	Tahlequah Church - Loan Payment	238.92
9-13-93	Balance in Investment Account	41,140.12
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Assets:

Certificate of Deposit - Church Extension Loan Fund	100,000.00
Certificate of Deposit - Bank of Locust Grove	65,000.00
Balance in Investment Account	41,140.12
Balance due on Principal - Tahlequah Church Loan	15,190.79
Balance in Association Accounts	<u>3,352.46</u>

Total Assets

224,683.37

CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH GRAND RIVER
ASSOCIATION

(revised 1993)

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

ARTICLES OF FAITH

STANDING RESOLUTIONS

CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I

NAME: The yearly meeting of this Association shall be called, "South Grand River Association of Free Will Baptists."

ARTICLE II

COMPOSITION: This Association shall be composed of such duly organized Free Will Baptist Churches agreeing to abide by this constitution.

ARTICLE III

REPRESENTATION: Section 1: The acting members or standing delegates of this body shall be: Ordained and licensed ministers and their wives, deacons and their wives, and church clerks belonging to any church composing this Association.

Section 2: The regular meetings of this Association shall also consist of three delegates from each church chosen by the respective churches composing this body and properly seated by the standing delegates.

Section 3: Each church shall be expected to represent by letter, with or without delegates. Such reports should meet the requirements of the Association, using the forms provided by the Association.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS: The officers of this Association shall consist of a moderator, a clerk and an assistant clerk, a treasurer and an assistant treasurer. These shall be elected by the body at the close of the annual session.

That the officers of the Association shall be called the Executive Committee.

- Duties: 1. They shall compile and prepare business for each Associational meeting with the respective boards choosing the speakers. Also, along with all the regular duties of their respective offices.
2. They shall review the allocations of the Co-op annually and recommend such changes as deemed necessary to the Association.

ARTICLE V

STANDING BOARDS AND THEIR DUTIES: All boards shall annually elect a chairman, an assistant chairman and a clerk.

Executive Board: This Association shall have a Executive Board, consisting of seven members elected to serve terms of 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1 years. It shall be the duty of this board to act in behalf of the Association when it is not in session. It shall have authority to act on any business submitted by any other board or church between sessions of the Association.

This board shall keep a record of all work done, meetings held and make a full complete report to the regular meetings of the body.

It shall be the duty of this board to sign their signatures to any and all papers concerning properties, indebtedness, bonds or other legal documents pertaining to and as authorized by the Association.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: The Association shall have a Board of Christian Education consisting of five members elected to serve terms of 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1 years. It shall be the duties of this board to promote Christian Education in every church of this Association. This board shall use every available means to promote Christian education within our Association and sponsor Clinics, Seminars and Youth Rallys when called upon. Their dutes shall also include:

- (1). The disbursements of funds to cover registration for our youth from our Association to attend a Free Will Baptist Youth Camp.
- (2). The sponsoring of the District Music and Arts Festival or C. T. S. Competition.
- (3). The disbursement of scholarships to students from our Association who are attending a FREE WILL BAPTIST COLLEGE.

The funding of these programs shall be sustained by a percentage of District Co-op earnings and also a percentage of interest earnings from the proceeds of the sale of the District Campgrounds set by allocation. Upon the result of lack of moneys, the C. E. Board shall set policy of sustenance and disbursements of funds allotted.

This board shall organize itself and elect officers as necessary to the orderly conduct of its affairs and labors. This board shall keep an accurate record of all meetings, decisions, work done, funds received and disbursed and shall make a report in writing at each District Association.

EXAMINING BOARD: This Association shall have an Examining Board consisting of five ordained men elected to serve terms of 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1 years. It shall be the duty of this board to meet with all ministers and deacons desiring either ordination, license, or membership into the Association; request having been made by the Church of which the candidate is a member. They shall examine all candidates by a set of questions approved by the Association, and if the examination proves satisfactory, recommendation is made to the body.

This board shall act on all matters of credentials pertaining to individuals or churches.

MISSION BOARD: This Association shall have a Mission Board consisting of five members elected to serve terms of 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1 years.

It shall be the duty of this board to establish and assist missions and churches within the bounds of this Association wherever needed, and according to means provided by the Association.

It shall also promote Missionary Conferences and assist missionaries in their itineraries.

ALL BOARDS: The Association shall have an All Boards meeting on the second Thursday night of the month preceding the month of the Associational meeting. Each board shall carry on it's respective work and give a written report to the clerk. These reports will be presented at the following Associational meeting.

ARTICLE VI

MEMBERSHIP: Section 1: Newly organized churches may petition for membership by letter and delegates. Upon examination if they are found to be orthodox and orderly they may be received in the Association by vote of the majority present, the moderator may give the right hand of fellowship.

Section 2: Any church coming from another association or quarterly meeting, may upon examination and vote of this body become a member providing a letter of recommendation is furnished by the Association or quarterly meeting from which they come. Such a letter shall be required before they are considered a full-fledged member with all the rights and privileges thereof.

ARTICLE VII

DISCIPLINE: This Association shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine or practice, that properly comes before it from any church of which it is composed, and to exclude them for disorderly conduct if labor proves unsuccessful; but in no case to reverse their decisions, nor to interfere with any of their internal regulations.

ARTICLE VIII

TIME: The meeting time of the Association shall be the third Saturday of March, June, September and December, with September being the annual meeting.

The District Womans Auxiliary shall meet on Friday before the regular Associational meeting.

ARTICLE IX

BUSINESS: The business of the Association while in session shall include questions and topics as may be referred to it by the churches in their letters, resolutions and recommendations presented by its boards, committees, or individual members.

ARTICLE X

AMMENDMENTS: This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting of this Association, and such alteration lay on the table at least one Quarterly Meeting before the annual meeting.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS OF THE SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSN.

1. Be it resolved that this Association reaffirm its belief in God calling laborers for a particular task and when this calling is to a wider field of endeavor, such as evangelism, missions, christian education, etc., the Association shall endeavor to assist and support the candidate with whatever means that are essential to insure his success in this calling.

2. Be it resolved that the Association suggest to the saints of God who comprise the membership of the churches of the Association that they engage in leisure time pursuit which would become followers of Christ. All activities that bear the imprint of Satan should be carefully avoided. It is suggested that the Biblical precept contained in I Corn. 10:31 serve as a guide for individual conduct.

3. Be it resolved that since a minister who accepts the pastoral care of a church in South Grand River Association assumes obligations of a divine nature which makes service primary and remuneration secondary, to the local church which calls him should minister to his financial support in accordance with their ability to do so. It is suggested that the church con-

sider such items as health insurance, retirement funds, social security tax, and car expense as part of its financial responsibility to the pastor.

4. Be it resolved that since the South Grand River Association is a fellowship of believers of like faith who have joined together to promulgate the gospel, our churches should call those ministers to labor with them who adhere to the principles and beliefs which Free Will Baptists endorse and uphold.

5. Be it resolved that the South Grand River Association follow the biblical precept contained in I Timothy 3: 2-11 and refuse ordination to any person, whether candidate to the deaconship or the ministry, if he or his wife has a former living companion.

6. Be it resolved that we follow the biblical precept contained in I Timothy 3: 10 wherein the deacon is first proven then ordained to the office of deacon after being found blameless. Accordingly, the candidate to the deaconship shall serve a period of trial service to the local church for a period of one year. It is further recommended that each candidate to the ministry be issued a ministerial license upon the recommendation of the candidate's local church and the recommendation of the Associational Examining Board. This ministerial license shall be in full force and effect until the ministerial candidate is called into a capacity of service which requires ordination to the ministry, such as evangelist, pastor, youth pastor, children's church pastor or any other branch of christian service. Whatever the capacity of service, ordination must be recommended by the local church of which he is a member. However, when under license, the candidate's status shall be reviewed annually by the local church and reported to the Association. The purpose of this annual review is to extend the license for the ensuing year.

7. Be it resolved that any one member of the South Grand River Association shall not serve on more than one standing board at any one time with no member serving more than two consecutive terms or portions thereof.

8. Be it resolved that when an ordained minister unites with a member church coming from a church outside the fellowship of the Association, he must be examined by the examining board before he is received as a ordained minister, and carried on the ministerial rolls of the Association. Be it further understood that an incoming minister shall not be elected to an office or board until a letter of recommendation is received.

It is expressly understood that an ordained deacon from another association who unites with a member church does not become active as a deacon in the local church until the church votes him active. Be it further understood that these men pass the examination questions for acceptance in the Association.

9. Be it resolved that questionnaire forms, which pertain to ministers and deacons be printed in each annual edition of the minutes.

10. Be it resolved that our Association reaffirm its position on tithing as a biblical precept contained in both the old (Gen. 14:20, Gen. 28:22, Deut. 14:22, Mal. 3:7-10; and the New (Matt. 23:23, I Corn. 16:22, I Corn. 9: 9-14, Heb. 7: 9-17, II Corn. 9: 6-8) Testaments. It is further recommended, however, that the local church teach the tithe as God's financial plan in a manner that is in keeping with biblical precepts, e.g. as a measure of stewardship (I Corn. 4: 1-2, I Tim. 1:11); as a means of participating in the promulgation of the gospel (Matt. 28: 19-20) and as a manifestation of the consecration of the believers total life to Christ (Romans 12: 1-2).

11. Be it resolved that all boards and officers who travel on official business for the Association be paid a mileage fee of 18 cents per mile.

12. Be it resolved that our moderator represent the South Grand River Association in the State Associations General Board, and that we pay \$300.00 for his expenses.

13. Be it resolved that we recommend that all pastors attend the annual Association unless providentially hindered.

14. Be it resolved that all ministers and deacons register at each quarterly meeting and annual Association.

15. Be it resolved that we pay whatever is needed from the Associational treasury for printing of the minutes.

16. Be it resolved that any business except the annual election of officers, and the amendment of the constitution can be taken care of at a quarterly meeting.

17. Be it resolved that all churches act upon request of members letters of transfer as soon as possible and this be done by calling a special church conference if necessary.

18. Be it resolved that the Associational clerk and Associational treasurer each receive an annual honorarium of \$300.00.

19. Be it resolved that if any officer or board member of this Association absents himself three times from Associational or All Boards meetings; unless providentially hindered, that their office be declared vacant and filled by the Association according to the proper procedure.

20. Be it resolved if a church absents themselves (2) two quarterly meetings, the clerk shall inquire as to the reason and if they miss for one year without letter or representation, they be placed inactive, losing their voting privileges until voted active by the Association.

21. Be it resolved the Association pay expenses of up to \$300.00 to a representative for South Grand River Association to State Association General Board.

22. Be it resolved the Hillcrest Church be paid \$150.00 per quarterly meeting to help with expenses.
23. Be it resolved the District Competition be held each year on the Saturday following Easter.
24. Be it resolved the chairman of each board along with the moderator make up a Nominating Committee.
25. Be it resolved that the Christian Education Board shall set policy of sustenance and disbursement of funds allotted, keeping in mind the obligations and responsibilities to the Association and the obligation to our youth made in previous years.

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 sanction of the use and sale of intoxication 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 Savior 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 on 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 principles 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.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

I. THE BIBLE: We believe the Bible to be composed of both the Old and New Testament Scriptures and were given by the inspiration of God, 2 Tim. 3:16-17, 2 Tim. 3:14-17; Dan. 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Matt. 21:42.

II. THE TRINITY

A. GOD: We believe in one true and living God; and he is represented in the Scriptures as the Father, Son and Holy Ghost equal in divine essence, power and glory, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore and obey. John 1:1; John 10:30; John 5:7; 1 Cor. 8:6.

B. CHRIST: We believe Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. He is the Mediator between God and Man, and is our ever-present Savior and Lord. John 10:30.

C. THE HOLY GHOST: We believe the Holy Ghost (Spirit) to be the Third person of the Trinity. The scriptures assigns to the Holy Ghost all the attributes of God. He is the reprover, comforter, guide and sanctifier of all men. Heb. 9:14; Psalms 139:7-10; Luke 1:35; 1 Cor. 2:10-11.

III. THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD: We believe that God by His wise and benevolent acts exercises providence

over all beings and all things by maintaining the Constitution and Laws of nature. He also performs special acts of grace, not otherwise provided for as highest welfare of man requires.

IV. MAN: We believe that God created man innocent, and gave him the power of free moral agency to choose the right and reject the wrong, but by his disobedience he fell into a state of sin and condemnation. With all his posterity (future generations) under the just penalty of the same, and were unable, of their own power to extricate (set free) or save themselves from the great dilemma onto 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.

V. THE WORK OF CHRIST: We believe that Jesus Christ by His birth, life, suffering, death, burial and resurrection purchased for all a free redemption from sin that is full and is the ground of salvation by faith. Matt. 1:21; Luke 2:10-11.

VI. THE TERMS OF SALVATION: We believe the conditions of salvation are:

- A. Repentance and sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it.
- B. Faith or the complete submission of one's self to Christ as Savior and Lord with the 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.
- C. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.
- D. When the lost person acts upon these terms he passes through the ordeal of regeneration, they are washed in the blood of the lamb and are planted in the Kingdom of Christ.
- E. We also believe that all persons dying in infancy and all persons who have been mentally incompetent from birth are safe by the atoning merits of the Son of God without any

acts on their part. John 3; Matt. 10:13-22; II Cor. 7:10; Luke 18:16-17; Psa.98:3; Col. 1:13.

VII. ELECTION: We believe that it was not, and is not God's will that any should be lost. II Peter 3:9, Romans 10:11-13. Therefore we believe that God determined from the beginning to save all who would comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ, men became His elect.

VIII. FREEDOM OF WILL: We believe God created man innocent, and gave him the power of free moral agency to choose the right and reject the wrong, therefore the Human Will is free and self controlled having power to submit to the truth and the Spirit and live; or to resist them and perish. Deut. 30:19; Joshua 24:1; Deut. 30:15.

IX. SALVATION FREE: We believe Salvation is not obtained by the Merits of a person, but is the free gift of God. Eph. 2:8-9. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, and the Holy Spirit strives with all. Rev. 22:17.

X. PERSERVERANCE: We believe that all true believers in Christ, who through the divine grace and in the knowledge of the truth that God's grace is sufficient to help them overcome all the obstacles of life, persevere in holiness to the end, have the promise of eternal salvation. I Peter 1:4-8; Romans 8:35-39, I Tim. 4:12. See appendix to chapter XIII, pages 41 and 42 of the National Treatise adopted July 1969.

XI. GOSPEL ORDINANCES:

A. BAPTISM: We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of believers in water, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. In which is represented the burial and resurrection of Christ, the death of the Christian to the world, and is administered by an ordained minister and may be assisted by ordained deacons. Matt. 3:14-16; I Peter 3:21; John 3:23; Acts. 10:47; Matt. 28:19.

B. THE LORD'S SUPPER: We believe 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. It is the privilege and duty of all who have spiritual union with Christ to commemorate His death and no man has a right to forbid it. Luke 22: 19-20; I Cor. 11:20-29; Matt. 26:26-29.

C. FEET WASHING: We believe that feet washing was also 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. It is the happy prerogative and duty of every believer to observe this sacred ordinance. John 14:1-16.

XII. THE MINISTRY: 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. This is also a call to preparation.

XIII. JUSTIFICATION AND SANCTIFICATION:

A. JUSTIFICATION: We believe justification is a change in a person's relation or standing before God. In justification, all our sins are forgiven, and the guilt and punishment thereof removed. Acts 13:38; Romans 8:1. God sees the Christian as without sin and guilt in Christ. Romans 8:33-34.

B. SANCTIFICATION: We believe that sanctification is one work of God's grace by which the soul is cleansed from all sin and wholly consecrated to Christ. It is the continuing of God's grace by which the Christian may constantly grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. It takes place in regeneration. I Cor. 6:11; II Thess. 2:13; John 17:17; Heb. 12:14; I Thess. 5:19-23; II Tim. 2:20

XIV. THE CHURCH: We believe that the invisible or

spiritual church is composed of all the truly redeemed Christians of every congregation from every kindred, nation, tongue, and people. Scripturally, the visible Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women, having obtained proper relationship with the Lord and fellowship with each other, agreeing to keep up a good discipline and doctrine according to the rule of the Gospel. Eph.3:16; Heb.12:22-23; I Peter 2:5; Acts 2:47; Eph. 2:20-22; I Thes.1:1; Acts 16:5; John 1:10; Matt. 18:17.

XV. TITHES AND OFFERINGS: We believe that God has a financial plan for the Church, this is tithes and offerings. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel. Gen. 14:20; Gen:28:22; Lev.27:30-34; Numbers 18:21; Neh.12:44; Neh.13:12; Mal.3:7-10; Matt.23:23; Luke 18:12; I Cor.16:2.

XVI. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH: We believe the scriptures teach that one day in seven should be set apart from secular employment and amusements, for sacred rest and holy service. Under the Gospel teaching this is the first day of the week. It is a time to refrain from our secular labor and devote ourselves to personal worship and service of God. Gen. 2:2; Ex.20:8-11; Luke24:1; Acts 20:8; I Cor.16:2; Rev.1:19.

XVII. THE SOUL: We believe the soul is endless, hence it does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery according to the spiritual character here possessed. Phil.1:23; Luke23:42; Rev.6:8; Luke16:19-25; Matt.10:28.

XVIII. RESURRECTION, JUDGMENT, AND FINAL RETRIBUTION:

A. THE RESURRECTION: We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both the righteous and the unrighteous they that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life and be with God forever, but those who have done evil to the resurrection of damnation with everlasting punishment. John 5:28-29; Acts24:15; I Cor.15:22-58; Rev.20:15; Mark9:43-44.

B. THE JUDGMENT: We believe that there will be a judgment, when time and man's probation will close

forever. Then all men will be judged according to their works. Acts 17:31; Rev. 10:6; Rev. 22:11; II Cor. 5:10; Matthew 12:36-37.

C. RETRIBUTION: Immediately after judgement the righteous shall enter into eternal happiness (life) and the wicked shall enter into everlasting punishment. Matthew 25:46; II Thess. 1:7-9; Romans 6:23; Rev. 14:7-11; and Matthew 13: 41-43.

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every meeting, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer by the moderator or whomever he may request.
2. Ministers and their wives, Deacons and their wives, and church clerks belonging to any church composing this Association have seats and are allowed to take part in the discussions 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 a 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.

Rules of Order cont'd

9. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.
10. No member shall absent himself without leave of the Moderator.
11. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected before the close of the Association, if necessary.
12. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after the organization of the Association.
13. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular session of the Association.

SUGGESTED ORDER OF CHURCH CONFERENCE

- I. Call church into conference.
- II. Read minutes of previous meeting.
- III. Invite visiting brethren to sit in council.
- IV. Call for business items in the following order:
 1. Treasurer's Report
 2. Report of all standing boards in the church.
 - a. Trustees Board
 - b. Deacon Board
 - c. Christian Education Board
 - d. Mission Board
 - e. Other Standing Boards
 3. Unfinished Business
 4. New Business
- V. The reading of the minutes for correction.
- VI. Adjournment

SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS, QUESTIONS ON DOCTRINE

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ Phone _____

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 Holy Ghost separate and apart from regeneration? _____
8. What composes the body of Christ? _____
9. Does the Bible teach that God has an organized visible church on this earth? _____
10. Do you believe that Baptism is a Gospel ordinance?

11. Who are proper subjects for baptism? _____
12. Do you believe that immersion is the proper mode 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?

15..In your opinion, what is God's plan for financing His work? _____

16. Do you tithe to the church in which you are a member? _____

17. Do you believe in the possiblilty of apontasy? _____

18. Do you believe in the resurrection of the bodies of all men? _____

19. 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? _____

20. Do you believe that immediately after the judgment the righteous will enter into eternal life, and the wicked into a state of endless punishment? _____

21. Do you believe that Christ, at his second coming, will close the gospel dispensation, glorify His saints, and judge the world? _____

22. 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

SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR ORDINATION OR INCOMING DEACONS

1. Are you ordained?_____If not, how long have you been on trial?_____
2. Are you married?_____If so, how many times?_____
3. Do you have a former companion living?_____Does your wife?_____
4. Give the name of the church that placed you on trial

5. Do you understand that God made the pastor the overseer?_____
6. Do you believe that you could work with the average pastor as a deacon?_____
7. Do you assist the pastor in Baptismal Services, The Lord's Supper, and in Feet Washing?_____
8. If the pastor should fail in Doctrine, Practice, or in Character would you be willing to stand with the church and protect its interest?_____
9. Are you in complete agreement with Free Will Baptist Practice_____
10. Are you aware of the law that you, even though you are ordained, you are an active deacon in your church only as the church votes for you to be?_____
11. Are you in agreement with the above mentioned law, stated in the Standing Resolutions of the 1974 minutes page 24, article 8?_____
12. Do you or your wife have any habits that might hinder your work?_____
13. Do you have any financial problems that might hinder the influence of yourself or your church as a part of its leadership?_____

14. Have you ever taken bankruptcy? _____
15. How much education do you have? _____
16. Can you name the three qualifications in Acts 6:3,
of the seven men chosen there?
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MINISTERS DESIRING LICENSE

1. Are you married? _____ How many times? _____
2. Do you have a former companion living? _____
Does your wife? _____
3. Is your wife a member of the Free Will Baptist Church?

4. How long have you been a Christian? _____
5. How long have you been a member of the Free Will
Baptist? _____
6. Is your wife willing for you to be licensed? _____
7. Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder
your ministry? _____

8. In your opinion, what is God's plan for financing His work? _____
9. Do you tithe to the church you are a member of? _____
10. How much education do you have? _____
11. Do you have plans to better qualify yourself for the ministry? _____
12. Do you believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, are the infallible Word of God, and the only rule of faith and of practice? _____
13. Do you believe in the Trinity? _____
14. Name the God Head. _____
15. Is Salvation obtained through the Blood of Jesus Christ? _____
16. Name the conditions of Salvation _____
17. Do you believe that speaking in an unknown tongue is evidence of having received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost? _____
18. Do you believe in a second definite work of Grace, or Baptism of the Holy Ghost separate and apart from regeneration? _____
19. What composes the body of Christ? _____
20. Does the Bible teach that God has an organized visible church on this earth? _____
21. Do you believe that Baptism is a Gospel Ordinance? _____
22. Who are the proper subjects for Baptism? _____
23. Do you believe that immersion is the proper mode of

water baptism? _____

24. Do you believe that the Lord's Supper and Feet Washing are Divine Ordinances and should be observed repeatedly? _____
25. Do you teach and practice these ordinances? _____
At night? _____
26. Do you believe in the possibility of apostasy? _____
27. Do you believe in the resurrection of the bodies of all men? _____
28. 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? _____
29. Do you believe that immediately after the judgment the righteous will enter into eternal life, and the wicked into a state of endless punishment? _____
30. Do you believe that Christ at His second coming will close the Gospel dispensation glorify His Saints, and judge the world? _____

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MINISTERS TO BE ORDAINED

1. Do you have a license? _____
2. If you have a license, how long have you carried it?

3. By what Association were they issued? _____
4. By what Church were your license issued? _____
5. How many sermons have you preached? _____
6. Where are you preaching now? _____
7. Is it your idea to be ordained or is it the Church's idea? _____
8. Why do you want to be ordained? _____
9. Are you married? _____ If so, how many times? _____
10. Do you have a former companion living? _____
Does your wife? _____
11. How many children do you have? _____
12. Is your wife a member of the Free Will Baptist Church?

13. How long have you been a Christian? _____
14. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist? _____
15. Is your wife willing for you to be ordained? _____
16. Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder your Ministry? _____
17. If you have belonged to other denominations, give the name of each and the length of time you were with each one _____

18. Are you willing to make any sacrifice necessary in the Ministry? _____
19. Are you willing to abstain from any indulgences that might hinder your Ministry? _____
20. Will your financial circumstances hinder you in taking the Pastoral care of a Church? _____
21. Have you ever taken bankruptcy? _____
22. How much education do you have? _____
23. Have you had any special training in doctrinal and pastoral theology? _____
24. Have you had any courses in study of homiletics?

25. Do you have any plans to better qualify yourself for this Ministry? _____
26. If so, what are your plans? _____
27. Are you resolved to devote yourself wholly to the Ministry? _____
28. Are you familiar with the doctrine and practice of this Association? _____
29. Are you in agreement with the doctrine and practice of this Association? _____
30. Would you be willing to continue preaching under license if this board thought it best for you and and all concerned? _____

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MINISTERS COMING INTO THE ASSOCIATION

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

1. Are you licensed or ordained? _____
2. If licensed, how long have you carried your license?

3. What church recommended you for license? _____
4. What association granted your license? _____
5. What church are you a member of now? _____
6. Have you previously belonged to other denominations
other than Free Will Baptist? _____
7. If so, what denomination? _____
8. How long were you affiliated with this denomination?

9. How long have you belonged to the Free Will Baptist
Denomination? _____
10. Are you married? _____ How many times? _____
11. Do you have a former companion living? _____
Does your wife? _____
12. Does your wife belong to the Free Will Baptist Church

13. If you are ordained, what Church recommended you for
ordination? _____
14. What association granted your ordination? _____

15. How long have you been ordained? _____
16. Are you pastoring anywhere now? _____
17. Are you familiar with the doctrine and practice of this Association? _____
18. Are you in agreement with the doctrine and practice of this Association? _____
19. Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder your ministry? _____
20. Does your ministry have first priority in your life or is it just a side line? _____
21. Are you willing to make any sacrifices that may be necessary in the ministry? _____
22. Are you willing to abstain from any indulgences that might hinder your ministry? _____
23. Will your financial circumstances hinder you in taking the pastoral care of a Church? _____
24. Have you ever taken bankruptcy? _____
25. How much education do you have? _____
26. Have you ever had any special training in pastoral and doctrinal theology? _____
27. Have you ever had any courses of study in homiletics? _____
28. Do you have any plans to better qualify yourself for the ministry? _____
29. If so, what are your plans? _____
30. Are you resolved to devote yourself wholly to the ministry? _____
31. If this board should refuse to recommend your member-

ship into this association, what would you do?, would you go on preaching anyway, or would you just give up and quit? _____

SOUTH GRAND RIVER ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

Questionnaire For Ministers To Be Ordained and Incoming

1. Do you have a license? _____
2. If you have a 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. Do you have a former companion living? _____
Does your wife? _____
9. How many children do you have? _____
10. Is your wife a member of the Free Will Baptist Church?

11. How long have you been a Christian? _____
12. How long have you been a member of the Free Will Baptist Church? _____
13. Is your wife willing for you to be ordained? _____
14. Do you or your wife have any habits that would hinder your ministry? _____
15. If you have belonged to other denominations, give name of each and the length of time with each one.

16. In your opinion, what is God's plan for financing His work? _____
17. Do you tithe to the church you belong to? _____
18. Are you willing to make any sacrifice that may be necessary in this ministry? _____
19. Are you willing to abstain from any indulgences that might hinder your effective influence in the ministry? _____
20. Will your financial circumstances hinder you in taking the pastoral care of a church? _____
Have you ever taken bankruptcy? _____
21. How much education do you have? _____
22. Have you had any special training in doctrinal and pastoral theology? _____
23. Have you had any courses of study in Homiletics? _____
24. Do you have plans to better qualify yourself for the ministry? _____
25. If so, what are your plans? _____
26. Are you resolved to devote yourself wholly to the ministry? _____
27. Would you be willing to continue preaching under license if this committee should think it best? _____
28. Have you completed the ministers preparation course? _____

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			Ok.	74012	258-7954

PENSACOLA

Deacon	Elijah Gay	Rt. 1, Box 294	Big Cabin, Ok.	74332	785-2732
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PRYOR, 1st

Clerk	Lodema Crabtree	1334 N.E. 3rd Pl.	Pryor, Ok.	74361	825-1523
Deacons	Wesley Abbott	Rt. 2, Box 185D	Pryor, Ok.	74361	825-1764
	Craig Boggs	302 S. E. 9th	Pryor, Ok.	74361	825-2668
	Joe Roberts	302 S. E. 11th	Pryor, Ok.	74361	825-0891
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SALINA, 1st

Clerk	Linda Bales	PO Box 323	Salina, Ok.	74365	434-2404
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	Billy Cox	Rt. 2, Box 435-4	Salina, Ok.	74365	434-2788
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SHAHAN

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Deacons	Travis Carter	Rt. 2, Box 345	Broken Arrow, Ok.	74012	486-5614
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Deacons	Verlon Bogle	501 N. Forrest	Jenks, Ok.	74037	299-5847
	Brian Gibson	120 E. McKennon	Bixby, Ok.	74008	366-3137
	Eugene Green	7713 E. 118th	Bixby, Ok.	74008	369-2831
	Russell Smith	8331 E. 116th St.	Bixby, Ok.	74008	369-2394

SMITH CHAPEL

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Deacons	Harold Fogleman	Rt. 1, Box 730	Rose, Ok.	74364	479-5703
	Mike Pendergraft	Rt. 1, Box 2640	Rose, Ok.	74364	479-5150

TAHLEQUAH

Clerk	Juanita Cox	PO Box 481	Stillwell, Ok.	74960	696-2916
Deacons	Carl Dill	Rt. 2, Box 455	Hulbert, Ok.	74441	772-2980
	Randall Johnson	Rt. 4, Box 336	Tahlequah, Ok.	74464	456-3653

TRINITY, MUSKOGEE

Clerk	Denise Bemo	3300 N. 45th St. W.	Muskogee, Ok.	74401	683-0510
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VALLEY HEIGHTS, SALINA

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Deacons	Kenneth Benhem	PO Box 25	Salina, Ok.	74365	434-5414
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	Johnny Nickols	Rt. 1, Box 334	Pryor, Ok.	74361	825-0542
	Leon Pritchett	Star Rte. 4, Box 321	Pryor, Ok.	74361	825-1180
	Ronnie Sharp	216 N. Witaker	Pryor, Ok.	74361	825-1462
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