

The Southeast Missouri

Yearly Meeting of

FREE WILL BAPTIST

Convened with the
FLAT RIVER CHURCH







August 7 through August 9, 1946

The Southeast Missouri yearly meeting of Free Will Baptist convened with the Flat River Church, August 7, 1946 through August 9.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 7:45 P. M.

The Southeast Missouri yearly meeting officially began as scheduled by pre-arranged program. Called to order by clerk with some preliminary remarks after which the welcome address was given by Miss Velma Holman of Flat River, Missouri.

Response by Ozella Wilson of St. Louis, Mo. Devotional led by Host Pastor, Rev. F. C. Zinn. Singing by congregation from Hymn Book. Prayer was led by Rev. Craven.

The Moderator then appointed a committee on Divine Service, Rev. F. C. Zinn, Chairman, Bobby Hill and Mary Ray, members.

A very spiritual praise service was held after which Rev. O. T. Allred of St. Louis, Mo. delivered the introductory sermon, subject: "Revival of Early Church Missionary Zeal." Scripture text: Acts 2nd chapter, verses 42 through 47. A very inspiring message was delivered. Partial report of committee on Divine Service that Rev. Woodrow Matthews preach at 11:00 A. M. Thursday, August 8. Service closed with benediction.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 9:30 A. M.

Called to order by Moderator. Devotional Service led by Rev. Kermit Esther. Singing by congregation from Hymn Book. Prayer offered by Rev. James F. Miller. The Scripture Lesson read from the 14th chapter of St. John.

A very spiritual praise service, closing the Devotional Service. Moderator in charge: reading of Constitution and By-Laws. Reading of letters of St. Francis and Madison Co. quarterly meetings. Proxies were appointed for delegates who were absent from among others of each quarterly meeting attending.

Motion carried to accept the reports, and that the delegates be seated. The report of the yearly meeting Executive Board was read, and the motion carried to accept the report. Rev. Woodrow Matthews re-elected to Board for 3 years.

Election of Officers

The Delegation stood while prayer was offered for Divine guidance in the election of officers: For Moderator, Rev. Mark Lewis of St. Louis, Mo., was elected by acclamation; Assistant Moderator, Rev. Albert Halbrooks, elected by acclamation; Secretary Treasurer, Deacon O. B. Wornack, re-elected by acclamation. The retiring Assistant Moderator,

Rev. Wm. Reeves, was given a standing vote of thanks for his faithful services. Recess for 11:00 A. M. preaching service.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 11:00 A. M.

Devotional led by Assistant Moderator. Singing by congregation from Hymn Book. The sermon was delivered by Rev. Matthews, Subject: "Fruit Bearing." A very spiritual message was delivered, closing with prayer at the altar.

At 12:00 o'clock noon a bountiful dinner was spread for all attending.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 1:30 P. M.

Called to order by Moderator with Rev. Zinn leading the devotional service with singing by congregation from Hymn Book. Led in a word of prayer by sister Beabout. Scripture reading from second chapter of 2 Thessalonians. Rev. Zinn led in prayer and conducted a wonderful praise service.

Sunday School Convention reports read and motion carried to accept the reports. Partial report of committee on Divine service that Rev. K. J. Esther preach at 7:45 P. M.

Adjournment until Friday, 9:30 A. M.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 7:45 P. M.

Devotional led by Bro. Bobby Hill. Praise service by Rev. Bingham. Special singing by 3rd F. W. B. Quartet of St. Louis, Mo., Fellowship F. W. B. Church Chorus, Fredricktown F. W. B. Church Quartet and Flat River Church Male Quartet.

Prayer led by Bro. Olen Lincoln. Sermon by Rev. Esther, subject: "The Desires of the Lord." Scripture Text: Jude 1:3; other Scriptures, John 17; Luke 22:14. Closing with altar call and Benediction.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 1946, 9:30 A. M.

Called to order by Moderator. Singing led by Bro. Bobby Hill. Prayer led by Sister Eunice Miller. Scripture Lesson read by Christina Halbrook, 12th chapter of Romans and also conducting a praise service.

Moderator declared business in order. Reports from our ministers were read and referred to Credential Committee for consideration. See committee report. Motion carried to accept credential committee report. Motion carried to accept report of obituary committee. See report. Delegation stood with bowed heads in prayer in memory of departed members led by Bro. Lewis, Moderator.

Motion carried to accept report of Committee on Denominational Enterprise (see report). Recess for 11:00 A. M. Services.

FIRDAY, AUGUST 9, 11:00 A. M.

Devotional service led by Rev. Wm. Reeves with singing. Prayer led by Bro. Womack. Sermon by Rev. Jas. Barker. Scripture reading from Exodus chapter 12. A very spiritual message. Adjourned for dinner hour.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 1:30 P. M.

Called to order by Moderator. Rev. Zinn led the singing. Moderator in charge. Led in prayer by Bro. Willard Lackey. Report of Nominating Committee was read and motion carried to accept its report (see committee reports). Motion carried that Yr. Meeting Executive Board arrange for place to hold the 1947 Yearly Meeting Session.

Final report of Business Committee. Motion carried to accept this report for discussion. Motion carried to adopt the final Business Committee report. (See reports).

Final report on Committee on Divine Service that Rev. Jas. F. Miller preach at 7:45 P. M. Reading of minutes by clerk accepted by vote of body. Motion carried to accept financial report. No further business. Motion carried to adjourn with benediction. See financial report (page ?).

FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial report of money received from August, 1945 to August 1946 as follows:

Total received from 15 churches in Yearly Meeting	\$30.50
From Ministerial Conference	7.00
Offering taken at Yearly Meeting	23.83

Total received	\$61.33
August, 1945 balance brought forward	36.70

Total and Balance	\$98.03
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Disbursements:

Postage and mailing	\$ 3.76
Clerical supplies	.80
Secretary Treasurer's salary	5.00
Gem Publishing Co., printing 1945 minutes	22.00
News Sun. Printing Co., printing minute report cards	2.00
News Sun. Printing Co., printing 1946 programs	9.00

Total Disbursements	\$42.56
Balance in Treasury August 9, 1946	\$55.47

Submitted by Deacon O. B. Womack, Sec'y Treas.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Reports of Committees during Session of the Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting while convened with the Flat River F. W. B. Church, August 7-9, 1946.

Committee on Divine Service reports the following ministers to preach during Session: Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Thursday, 11:00 A. M.; Rev. Kermit Esther, Thursday, 7:45 P. M.; Rev. James Barker, Friday, 11:00 A. M.; Rev. Jas. F. Miller, Friday, 7:45 P. M.

Rev. F. C. Zinn, Chairman
Bro. Bobbie Hill
Sister Bertha Sowden.

Committee on Business reports:

Item No. 1—Be it resolved that we The Southeast Mo. Yearly Meeting of F. W. B. go on record as favoring the re-opening of the Gem office and the printing of The Gem at the earliest possible date, and pledge our support to same.

Item No. 2—Be it resolved that definite pledges be taken at this setting of the Yearly Meeting for the support of The Gem office.

Item No. 3—We recommend that the complete address of our Church clerks and ministers be recorded in our yearly meeting minutes, and also the order of business and by-laws.

Item No. 4—We recommend that the report of our Statistician be recorded in our Yearly Meeting.

Item No. 5—We recommend that the Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting refer the appeal of the Fellowship F. W. B. Church back to the St. Francis Co. Quarterly Meeting and recommend that every Bible means be used to restore the fellowship between the offended parties.

Item No. 6—We recommend that this body give a standing vote of thanks to the Moderator, Assistant Moderator and Clerk for their faithful and efficient service during this session of the Yearly Meeting.

Item No. 7—We recommend that this body give a standing vote of thanks to this Church and community for their kindness and hospitality toward the Yearly meeting.

Rev. O. T. Allred, Chairman
Rev. Albert Halbrook
Rev. Wm. Reeves
Rev. Harvey Hill
Rev. Woodrow Matthews.

Report of Temperance Committee:

Item No. 1—We humbly present the following resolution, that this body re-affirm its objection against the manufacture, distribution, sale and use of any and all forms of alcoholic beverages.

Item No. 2—That this body go on record as favoring National Prohibition.

Item No. 3—Due to the present wide spread and enormous increase in the use of tobacco in our Nation, that the membership of this body become awakened to this evil and through the leadership of the Holy Spirit, do all within our power to discourage its use.

Item No. 4—That our ministers preach uncompromisingly against these two national evils, as well as all other form of sin.

Rev. K. J. Esther, Chairman
Thelma Lewis
Emma Beabout.

Committee on Credentials reports:

We recommend the following ministers be granted Ministerial Certificates of Standing, August, 1946 to August, 1947:

Rev. James F. Miller, Desloge, Mo.
Rev. O. T. Allred, 9469 Rosemary Lane, St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. Albert Halbrook, Mine La Motte, Mo.
Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Mine La Motte, Mo.
Rev. Harvey Hill, 120 East Loretta, Lemay, Mo.
Rev. Effie Matthews, Desloge, Mo.
Rev. Chas. Moyer, Flat River, Mo.
Rev. John Long, Patton, Mo.
Rev. Kermit Esther, 9522 Rosemary Lane, St. Louis Mo.
Rev. Chas. Miller, 9421 Rosemary Lane, St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. Mark Lewis, 2043a Sidney St., St. Louis, Mo.
Rev. F. C. Zinn, 306 Cedar St., Flat River, Mo.
Rev. James Barker, Desloge, Mo.
Rev. Wm. Reeves, Irondale, Mo.
Rev. Eunice Edwards, Desloge, Mo.
Rev. Albert Tucker, River Mines, Mo.

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Rev. J. L. Yancey, Fredricktown, Mo.

Report of Obituary Committee:

Your committee on Obituary beg leave to submit the following: Whereas God in His infinite wisdom has called from our midst our brethren and sisters in Christ, be it resolved that we bow our heads in humble submission to His will. The deceased are as follows:

Madison County: Rev. Chas. Woods, Rev. Chas. Canterbury, Deacon John Mills, Deacon J. J. Stone, Deacon A. J. Pitchford, Etta Rehkop, Charity Bess and Mary Lunsford; St. Francis County: Deacon Louis Byington, Deacon Wm. Holland; Isabelle Henderson, Anna Moore, Mrs. R. F. Dodd, Mrs. Sedgewick, Brother James Robinson, James Nelson and Baby Emily.

A resolution of honorable mention of Rev. Chas. Woods and Rev. Chas. Canterbury was presented and ordered written in our minutes.

Eunice Miller, Chairman
Belle Coffey
Ozella Wilson

Report of Nominating Committee:

We your Nominating Committee beg to submit the following names as delegates to the Mo. State Association when convened in annual session: Bertha Sowden, Martha Clayton, Mary Beabout, Rose Sharp, Wm. McFarland, Bobby Hill, W. P. Wheeler, Inez Meyers, Mary Wray, Ozella Wilson, Dorothy Pirtle, Mrs. Cleo Black, Brother Cleo Black, Brother and Sister Percy Henson, Mrs. John Keeney, Mrs. Anthony Burcham and Mrs. Katherine Pettus.

Rev. Chas. Moyer, Chairman
Alta Matthews

Rev. Effie Matthews

Report of the Committee on Denominational Enterprise: Rev. Jas. F. Miller, chairman of this committee made a verbal report of the enterprises that are being promoted by our State and National bodies for the advancement of the cause of Christ.

Rev. Jas. F. Miller, Chairman
Christina Halbrook
Inez Esther

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. F. C. Zinn, 306 Cedar St., Flat River, Mo.

Rev. James F. Miller, Desloge, Mo.

Rev. Eunice Edwards, Desloge, Mo.

Rev. Chas. Moyer, Flat River, Mo.

Rev. Albert Tucker, River Mines, Mo.

Rev. O. T. Allred, 9469 Rosemary, St. Louis 2, Mo.

Rev. Harvey Hill, 120 East Loretta Ave., Lemay 23, Mo.

Rev. Mark Lewis, 2043a Sidney St., St. Louis, Mo.

Rev. Albert Halbrook, Mine La Motte, Mo.

Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Mine La Motte, Mo.

Rev. J. L. Yancey, Fredricktown, Mo.

Rev. John Long, Patton, Mo.

Rev. D. Selph Jones, Alldrich, Mo.

Rev. Kermit Esther, 9522 Rosemary Lane, St. Louis, Mo.

Rev. Wm. Baldwin, Address not known.

Rev. John Johnston, Address not known.

Rev. S. A. Hand, Fredricktown, Mo.

Rev. George Miller, Fredricktown, Mo.

Rev. Juanita Moore, 114 Roosevelt St., Flat River, Mo.

Rev. Thursie Woods, St. Louis, Mo.

LICENSED MINISTERS

Sister Mildred Duncan, Patton, Mo.

Bro. John Rogers, Fredricktown, Mo.

Bro. George Hebbits, Fredricktown, Mo.

Bro. Loy Smith, St. Louis, Mo.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF CHURCH CLERKS

Flat River Church, Mrs. Juanita Moore, Flat River, Mo.
 Park View Church, Mrs. Minnie Gibson, Desloge, Mo.
 Leadington Church, Irvin Mills, Leadington, Mo.
 Aulsbury Chapel, Mrs. Maude Janis, R. F. D. No. 4,
 Farmington, Mo.
 Richwoods Church, Mrs. Sophie Ackerson, Richwoods,
 Mo.
 Berkeley City Church, Virginia Stone, 5328 Glenco, St.
 Louis 21, Mo.
 South Side Church, Mrs. Julia Hill, 120 E. Loretta Ave.,
 Lemay 23, Mo.
 3rd F. W. B. Church, Claude Conway, 3152 Nebraska
 Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
 Fredricktown Church, Harold Baldwin, 401 East College
 Ave., Fredricktown, Mo.
 Mine La Motte Church, Alta Matthews, Mine La Motte,
 Mo.
 Union Light Church, Mrs. Edith McCormack, Patton, Mo.
 Twin Oak Church, Mrs. Pirtle, Fredricktown, Mo.
 Golden Gate Church, Leamon L. Killiam, R. 3, Fredrick-
 town, Mo.
 Old Bethel Church, Julius Smith, Patton, Mo.
 Golden Oak, Mrs. Belle Coffey, Mill Creek, Mo.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES

July 1, 1945 to July 1, 1946

Number of Churches reporting	15
Number of Churches in yearly meeting, July 1, 1945	15
State of religion	Good
Number of Churches without Pastors	None
Membership July 1, 1945	1334
New Churches received	None
Number of Churches disbanded	None
Members received July 1, 1945 to July 1, 1946	168
Number Baptized	71
Number Dismissed by Letter	68
No. Excluded	3
Number Deceased	18
Resident Members	921
Non-Resident Members	492
Number Churches July 1, 1946	15
Total Membership, July 1, 1946	1413
Number of Tithes	Not Reported
Number of Prayer Meetings	13
Number of Leagues	8
League Membership	262
Number of Home Missions	3
Home Mission Membership	57
Number of Sunday Schools	15
Total Sunday School Enrollment	1114
Number of Officers	59

Number of Teachers	83
Number of Ordained Ministers.....	22
Number of Licensed Ministers.....	6
Number of Ordained Deacons	43
Amount Paid Pastors	\$14,037.13
Amount paid for Evangelical Work	1,776.88
Amount for Building Repairs.....	4,206.21
Amount for Incidentals	2,345.91
Value of Church Property	58,560.00
Amount for Foreign Missions.....	612.94
Amount for Home Missions	177.90
Amount for Education	263.36
Amount for Superannuation	None
Amount for Publication (S. S. Literature, etc.).....	897.64
Amount for Unified Fund	990.87
Amount for Budget Fund	35.00
Amount for Orphanage.....	109.74
Minutes	27.10

Compiled by Dea. O. B. Womack, Statistician.

ORDER AND BY-LAWS

Order and By-Laws of the Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting of Free Will Baptist while in regular session:

Item No. 1—The delegated body shall meet Thursday morning at 9:30 before the 4th Sunday in August of each year for the transaction of legal business. The Moderator, or in his absence, the assistant Moderator shall call the meeting to order, and invite all to take part in congregational singing. After a sufficient number of songs, the Moderator shall read some suitable Scripture, then some one shall offer prayer.

Item No. 2—If it is found that a delegation is present from both Quarterly Meetings, the Moderator shall declare a quorum present to transact business.

Item No. 3—The letters from the quarterly meetings are to be read and the delegates seated. All ordained and licensed ministers who are in good standing, and full fellowship with some church in the Yearly Meeting shall by virtue of said authority be made standing delegates in the Yearly Meeting; also ordained deacons and Church clerks together with the treasurers.

Item No. 4—When all delegates, both elected and standing have been seated, the body will then proceed to elect officers as required by item No. 1 governing the organization. Each officer elected shall be instructed in the duties of the office to which they have been elected. The instructions to be given by the Moderator, or some one qualified to do so.

Item No. 5—The Moderator elected shall at once take charge of the meeting and shall when present, preside over all meetings. In the absence of the Moderator, the assistant Moderator shall preside over the meetings.

Item No. 6—The Moderator shall appoint all committees, unless otherwise ruled by the Body.

Item No. 7—The Moderator shall have the privilege to solicit the help of any minister or delegate present in appointing committees.

Item No. 8—After the organization has been completed, corresponding messengers, and visiting brethren from other religious bodies, are invited to a seat in the council. Should there be letters of greetings, or reports from other bodies, they may at this time be read.

Item No. 9—All items of business coming to this Yearly Meeting, except routine business, must come through the business committee, or a committee appointed for that special purpose.

Item No. 10—Before any question can properly be discussed by the delegated body, it must be put before the body by a legal motion properly sustained. All questions are settled by a majority vote of the delegates present. When a question is properly put before the body, any regular delegate has a right to speak on the subject. No person shall be allowed to speak for more than five (5) minutes on any subject at one time and not more than twice on the same subject without special permission from the Moderator.

Item No. 11—The Moderator shall have power to stop all discussions that are leading to confusion.

Item No. 12—All persons who are Pastors of Churches in the bounds of this yearly meeting are required to when possible, to be present at all business meetings, and according to the usages of the Free Will Baptist Denomination preside over the meetings, encourage the clerks to keep the minutes and fill out all report blanks to the quarterly meetings and associations.

Item No. 13—All ministers who are members of this yearly meeting are required to submit in writing a full and complete report of their ministerial labors for the past year, failure to do so forfeits their rights to their certificate of ministerial standing. These reports will be read to the body, and then given to the committee on credentials for further investigation.

Item No. 14—Official papers of this yearly meeting must be signed by the Moderator of the yearly meeting, and the secretary.

Item No. 15—Each quarterly meeting belonging to the yearly meeting, shall be entitled to two delegates for the organization, and two delegates for each one hundred members, or major fraction thereof belonging to the said quarterly meeting.

Item No. 16—Any person who is a delegate to this yearly meeting wishing to speak on any subject properly before the body, shall arise and address the chair, by saying, Bro. Moderator, or Bro. Chairman, and shall speak no further until they have been recognized by the Moderator.

James F. Miller, Chairman
O. B. Womack
Tommie Franklin

BY-LAWS ADOPTED FOR THE BODY

By-Laws adopted for the body known as the Southeast Missouri yearly meeting of the Free Will Baptist Churches, and at the present date composed of the Madison and St. Francis County quarterly meetings of the Free Will Baptist Denominations.

Item No. 1—Governing the Organization: The officers of this yearly meeting shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Secretary and Treasurer. There shall also be an Executive Board of three or more members, who are actively engaged in the work of the Free Will Baptist Church in Southeast Missouri.

Item No. 2—The Moderator, and Assistant Moderator shall be elected annually, and shall hold office until their successors are elected, and qualified.

Item No. 3—Choice of these officers shall be by nomination, and by legal vote. In cases where there is but one nominee, the officer shall be elected by acclamation.

Item No. 4—The Moderator, and Assistant Moderator shall not be elected jointly, but shall be elected separately by nomination, and by legal vote.

Item No. 5—The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected by nomination and by legal vote as the Moderator and Assistant Moderator. He or she will hold office for one year, and be paid a salary agreed upon by he or she and the body. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be the same person. It shall be the duty of said officer to keep an accurate record of all the proceedings of legal business and make a record of the proceedings in a book or books furnished him or her by the Body. The said officer agrees faithfully to discharge all the duties of the office willingly in the interest of the cause of Free Will Baptist everywhere.

Item No. 6—The Executive Board shall be elected as other officers but shall serve for a term of three years, terms to expire alternately. It shall be the duty of said Board between sessions of the yearly meeting to be in charge of the work in a general way.

They shall act as an advisory body for each local body composing this yearly meeting. They shall at all times have

at heart the cause of Christ, and the Free Will Baptist Denomination, and in all cases act without partiality or respect of persons. They agree to discharge their duty or duties faithfully. To work according to the leadership of the Holy Spirit, and the usages of the yearly meeting that they are to serve.

Should money or any other property of the yearly meeting be entrusted to them, they shall handle, hold, convey and convoy said property with the greatest possible care and will be able at all times to give a full and complete report of all property to the proper authorities.

Item No. 7—Suggested the following By-Laws be added. Any changes must be made by two-third vote of those present.

PROCEEDINGS

The Southeast Missouri Minister's Conference met in its Sixth Annual session August 6-7, 1946 at Flat River Free Will Baptist Church, Flat River, Mo.

7:45 P. M.

The Ministers' Conference was opened by the President, Rev. Mark Lewis, and in the absence of the Secretary-Treasurer appointed Rev. James Barker, Clerk Protem. Welcome, Mrs. Belva Zinn; Response, Rev. O. T. Allred.

The congregation stood for a moment of silent prayer, and then Rev. Albert Tucker led in audible prayer.

Song service led by Rev. F. C. Zinn, opened by singing, "I Am Thine O Lord," and "Wonderful Words of Life." Prayer, Rev. Wm. Reeves.

In the absence of the appointed minister, Rev. Woodrow Matthews, Rev. J. F. Miller was asked to bring the message. Subject: "Revival of Early Church Prayer"; Text: Acts 4:31. A soul-stirring message was delivered with a challenge to the church.

While the congregation sang "Amazing Grace" all gathered in the altar for a fellowship handshake. This was followed by prayer led by Rev. Effie Matthews. Benediction by Rev. Mark Lewis.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 7, 1946, 9:30 A. M.

Devotional led by Rev. Albert Tucker as follows: Opened with singing, "Take the Name of Jesus with You." Prayer, Rev. Harvey Hill. Hymn, "The Lily of the Valley." Scripture reading: St. John 15. Hymn, "I'll Go Where He Sendeth Me."

The Minutes of the previous session of the Ministers Conference was read by the Clerk Protem, Rev. Albert Holbrook, followed by the reading of the Constitution and By-Laws by the President, Rev. Mark Lewis.

The Roll Call was given with nine ministers present.

Invitation extended for membership with no response.

The presence of the ministers' wives and the laity of the church was acknowledged.

President declared time for election of officers and after prayer by Rev. Woodrow Matthews the following officers were elected: President, Rev. Mark Lewis; Vice President, Rev. Harvey Hill; Secretary-Treasurer, Rev. Albert Holbrook.

The President appointed the following as a Business Committee: Rev. Harvey Hill, chairman; Rev. Charles Moyer and Rev. Woodrow Matthews. Five minutes recess declared.

11:00 O'clock Service.

Singing led by Rev. Wm. Reeves, "We're Marching to Zion," "This World Is Not My Home." Prayer, Sister Belle Coffey. Hymn, "In the Morning of Joy." Scripture reading from Hebrews 2.

Sermon, Rev. Harvey Hill, Subject: "Revival of Early Church Courage." Scripture reading, 1 Thess. 1:1-10. Text: Acts 5:29. A wonderful message was delivered. Benediction and expression of thanks for the food, Rev. Woodrow Matthews.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30 P. M.

Services opened by Rev. Mark Lewis with an announcement that the Youth Encampment would be postponed for this year due to the Infantile Paralysis epidemic.

An hour devotional was conducted by Rev. Woodrow Matthews. Hymns, "I Am Thine O Lord" and "Love Lifted Me." Scripture with comments, Psalm 34. Prayer, Rev. James F. Miller. Hymn, "Some Day." A testimonial service was enjoyed by all followed by the singing of "I'll Be Satisfied." A voluntary prayer offered by Rev. Harvey Hill. Ten minute recess declared.

Services opened by Rev. Charles Moyer. Hymn, "Sweeping Through the Gate." Prayer, Rev. Wm. Reeves. Hymn, "Victory Ahead." Sermon, Rev. Albert Halbrook, Subject: "The Revival of Early Church Testimony." Text, Acts 5:32. Business resumed with the Vice President, Rev. Harvey Hill in charge.

Report of Business Committee read and received by vote to be discussed item by item. (See Report).

Item No. 1—Adopted by vote.

Item No. 2—Adopted by vote.

Item No. 3—Adopted by vote.

Item No. 4—Adopted by vote.

Minutes read and approved.

Motion carried to adjourn until the next regular session in 1947.

Benediction.

REPORT OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Item No. 1—We recommend that Rev. Luther Hampton be dropped from the Ministers' Conference due to his affiliation with another denomination.

Item No. 2—We recommend that the Secretary-Treasurer notify Rev. John Long according to Item No. 4 of the Business Committee Report of 1945.

Item No. 3—We recommend that the Ministers' Conference send \$10.00 to the State Unified Fund.

Item No. 4—We recommend that a standing vote of thanks be given to the Flat River Church for the kindness and hospitality.

Rev. Harvey Hill, Chairman
Rev. Charles Moyer
Rev. Albert Halbrook



