

YEARLY MEETING
of
Southeast Missouri
Free Will Baptist
Ministers' Conference
and
Auxiliary Conference
1962



When convene with
Parkview Free Will Baptist Church
400 West Chestnut Street
Desloge, Missouri

The 1963 session of the Yearly Meeting to
convene with the Southside
Free Will Baptist Church
3124 Mt. Pleasant Street
St. Louis, Missouri



Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting

OFFICERS

MODERATOR Rev. Harvey E. Hill, Berkeley City, Mo.
ASS'T. MODERATOR . Rev. James Barker, Farmington, Mo.
SEC.-TREAS. & STATISTICIAN Rev. Albert Halbrook,
Mine La Motte, Mo.
ASS'T. TREAS & STATISTICIAN .. Rev. Elmer Turnbough,
Deloge, Mo.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. James E. Raper Flat River, Mo. 3 Years
Rev. Harry Asher Overland, Mo. 2 Years
Rev. Clarence Burton Fredericktown, Mo.... 1 Year

Proceedings

The sixty-ninth session of the Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting of Free Will Baptists when convened with the Parkview Free Will Baptist Church, 400 West Chestnut St., Desloge, Missouri, August 9-11, 1962.

The services on Thursday evening, August 9th, came to order by the singing of hymn No. 285, "Blessed Assurance," led by Rev. Dean Burpo and Sis. Juanita Burpo as pianist. Following the hymn the congregation stood as Rev. Albert McFarland, pastor of the Southside Church led in prayer.

The Clerk, Rev. Albert Halbrook, called the Yearly Meeting into session and presented Rev. James Barker the Assistant Moderator in the absence of the Moderator Rev. Harvey E. Hill.

The welcome address was delivered by Rev. Elmer Turnbough, Moderator of the host Quarterly Meeting (St. Francois County) and pastor of the host church.

The response was given by Rev. Clarence Burton, pastor of the Fredericktown Church.

The Assistant Moderator announced that Rev. Dale Jones would bring the Devotions at 9:30 A.M. on Friday.

The evening Devotions were conducted by Rev. Gene Burcham, reading St. John 3:16, and St. Matthew 19:20, and commenting thereon.

Hymn No. 138, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arm," was sung. Prayer was led by Bro. Percy Henson.

Rev. Floyd Arnold, pastor of the Faith Church, was presented by the Assistant Moderator to deliver the introductory message. Rev. Arnold read Eph. 6:11, 24. Using as his subject: "Mobilization of our Forces and an all out Offences." Rev. Arnold forcibly challenged the Christian to rise up for God. He closed with prayer.

While singing hymn No. 257, "Saviour More Than Life To Me," the congregation enjoyed a fellowship handshake.

Benediction by Bro. Olon Lincoln.

FRIDAY 9:30 A. M.

Services called to order by the Moderator with prayer offered by Rev. Willard Darnell, pastor of Copper Mines Church. The congregation stood and sang hymn No. 22, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart" led by Rev. James Barker, pastor of the Farmington Church. Prayer was then offered by Rev. Roger Reeds, director of our National Sunday School Department.

Devotions led by Rev. Dale Jones, pastor of First Church, Flat River, reading I Thess. 1:3. Rev. Jones commented on two things Paul was thankful for, namely; faith and love. He closed with prayer.

The Moderator Rev. Hill, asked the standing delegates to stand and the Assistant Moderator Rev. Barker to deliver the charge. The Assistant Clerk, Rev. Elmer Turnbough, read the Quarterly Meeting letters from Madison County, St. Louis District, and St. Francois County respectively. Delegates' names from the local churches were read. The elected delegates were then asked to stand. Motion, second and carried to seat them and the Moderator Rev. Hill gave the charge.

Rev. Mack Owens, Missionary to Canada, and Rev. Roger Reeds, General Director of National Sunday School Department were recognized.

The Committee on Committees was appointed as follows: Rev. C. H. Burton, Rev. Irvin Mills and Rev. Floyd Arnold. Rev. Roger Reeds, from National S. S. Department spoke on the work pertaining to that department. The Statistician's

report was read and accepted.

It was announced that the next session of the Yearly Meeting would be in the St. Louis District Quarterly Meeting. A Sunday School report from the St. Louis District was read and received as partial report. The Financial Report was read and received. Benediction by Rev. Lue Buequette.

11:00 O'CLOCK SERVICE

The Moderator called the service to order and prayer was offered by Rev. George Miller. Congregational singing was led by Rev. Dean Burpo with Sis. Sharon Barker as pianist. Hymn No. 14, "Power In The Blood" and No. 96, "My Redeemer." Moderator called for prayer led by Rev. Albert McFarland, after which "Showers of Blessings" was sung.

Devotions were led by Rev. Willard Darnell, pastor of Copper Mines Church, reading and commenting from St. John 10:11, and Heb. 13:20. Prayer by Bro. Darnell.

The Moderator presented Rev. Albert Halbrook, pastor of Mine La Motte Church, as the messenger of the morning. Rev. Halbrook read I Sam. 4:10, 21, and used "Departed Glory" as the subject. Rev. Halbrook delivered a wonderful Bible message which was enjoyed by all. At the close of the message an invitation number was sung.

The report from Committee on Committees was read and accepted. (See reports.) Various announcements were made. Benediction and blessing on the noon meal by Rev. Chester Weir, pastor of Festus Church.

FRIDAY 1:30 P. M.

The Woman's Auxillary was in charge of the afternoon program. (See reports in these minutes.)

At the close of the Auxillary program the Moderator assumed charge. Congregational singing led by Rev. James Barker. Prayer led by Rev. Lue Bequette. Motion, second and carried that the 1963 session of the Yearly Meeting meet with the South Side Church of St. Louis.

The Credentials Committee report was read and received. (See reports.) With the amendment that Rev. Lester Ferguson's name be included in the Credential report and that he be issued a card of good standing along with the other ministers due to his physical condition.

The Denominational Enterprise Committee's report was

read and adopted as a whole (See reports).

Motion, second and carried that an invitation be extended to the National S. S. and League Convention to St. Louis and that it meet with the Berkeley City Church.

Motion, second and carried that plan program be made in advance for all future Yearly Meeting Sessions.

The minutes up to the previous hour were read and accepted. Announcements were made. Motion made and sustained that a standing vote of thanks be given Rev. Roger Reeds in appreciation of his presence at the Yearly Meeting.

Benediction by Rev. Roger Reeds.

7:30 P. M. FRIDAY

Services called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. O. D. Matthews, pastor of Union Light Church. Congregational singing led by Rev. Clarence Burton with Juanita Burpo as pianist. Hymn No. 138, "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder."

Devotions were led by Rev. James Barker, who read the Scripture lesson, Joshua 5:13, 15. He encouraged us with the thought that we as Christians have the presence of the Lord.

Hymn No. 91, "Some Day," was sung, led by Rev. Dean Burpo. Prayer was then led by Rev. Irvin Mills.

Rev. Bud Hill, acting editor of the Missouri Gem Paper, was given the opportunity to present the work of the Gem.

While singing No. 104, "Rescue the Perishing," an offering was received for Rev. Mack Owens, Missionary to Canada in the amount of \$47.19. The girl trio from the Parkview Church rendered a special number entitled "The Stone."

A quartette composed of four ministers from Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting, namely, Rev. James E. Raper, Rev. Clarence Burton, Rev. Dean Burpo and Rev. Albert McFarland sang "Do You Know?" and "Hand in Hand with Jesus."

The Moderator Rev. Hill presented Rev. Mack Owens, Missionary to Canada, as speaker of the hour. Bro. Owens spoke on "Free Will Baptist and You." The Scripture reading was I Cor. 2:1,5.

Rev. Owens informed us of the work B. Randall and the early Free Will Baptist. Following the message the Christians came to the Altar for prayer of consecration. There was a time of rejoicing by all. After various announcements the benediction was prayed by the Rev. Elmer Turnbough.

9:30 A. M. SATURDAY

Services called to order by the Moderator. Congregation sang No. 241, "I Shall Not Be Moved," led by Rev. Floyd Arnold with Sis. Sharon Barker as pianist. Devotions were conducted by Rev. Vernon Sinko of St. Louis reading from Gal. 1:8, and giving his testimony for the Lord.

The letter to the State Association from the Yearly Meeting was read and received.

The Obituary Committee report was read and accepted, and in compliance to the recommendation of this report, the congregation stood and bowed their heads in silent prayer in memory of the deceased with Rev. R. B. Spurgeon leading in audible prayer (See report).

The business Committee report was read and received to be disposed of item by item.

Item No. 1—Adopted.

Item No. 2—Adopted.

Item No. 3—Adopted.

In compliance to item #1 the Moderator appointed the Moderators of the three quarterly Meetings composing the Yearly Meeting to arrange for the printing of ministers' cards. The Moderators are as follows:

Rev. Elmer Turnbough, St. Francois County.

Rev. Clarence Burton, Madison County.

Rev. Floyd Arnold, St. Louis District.

The Moderator appointed the following as delegates to the State Association: Sis. Gray, Sis. Scott, Sis. Graham, Sis. Honey and Bro. Hillman.

Rev. James E. Raper reported on the State Sunday School and League Convention to convene at the time of our State Association at Berkeley City Church.

The registration report was read and received (See report).

The Nominating Committee report was read and received (See report).

Motion made and sustained that a standing vote of thanks be given the officers of the Yearly Meeting for their labors.

Rev. Grover Pingelton, pastor of the new work in Cuba, Missouri reported on the progress of that Church. All the folk from this Church were asked to stand and greetings were extended them by the Moderator.

Rev. James Barker made announcements concerning the

Free Will Baptist signs (stickers for car windows).

Rev. Harry Beatty, our State Promotional Secretary, reported on the Missouri Free Will Baptist Book Store and the work pertaining to our state as a whole.

Rev. Clarence Burton, member of Missouri State Home Mission Board, spoke on the Home Mission work in Missouri.

Rev. R. B. Spurgeon made announcements concerning the National Free Will Baptist League Quarterlies.

The final minutes of the Yearly Meeting were read and accepted.

11:00 O'CLOCK WORSHIP SERVICE

The congregation stood and Rev. Floyd Arnold led the congregation in singing of hymn No. 74, "The Half Has Never Yet Been Told," and hymn No. 179, "I'll Fly Away," prayer led by Rev. Grover Pingleton.

Devotions were by Rev. George Miller reading Rom. 12:1, 2, with comments as to the growth of our Free Will Baptist Denomination. Bro. Miller closed the devotions with prayer.

The Moderator Rev. Hill presented Rev. Albert McFarland pastor of the South Side Church, as speaker for the morning message. Bro. McFarland read for the Scripture, Acts 2:1, 12. Subject: "What Does Pentecost Mean For Our Day." Text: V-12. "What Meaneth This?" After a challenging message Bro. McFarland closed by prayer.

The Moderator assumed charge and after various announcements, motion made and sustained that we adjourn. Blessing on the noon meal and final benediction by Rev. Dean Burpo.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE—Dale Jones, Willard Darnell and Albert McFarland.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE—James E. Raper, John Long, Christine Halbrook, Olon Lincoln, Chester Weir and Lou Bequette.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE—Hazel Scott, Jane Howell, Ed Sirclum, Mrs. Hilderbrand and Ann Graham.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE—Percy Henson, George Miller, Clare Washburn, C. A. McMillian and Geneva Barker.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE—Everett Bower, Oscar Shepherd, Orville Stone, Myrtle Pinkston and Ben La Brot.

DENOMINATIONAL ENTERPRISE COMMITTEE—Dean

Burpo, Edith McCarmack, Glenwood Hargiss, Goldie Kelleman and Erma Hogan.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE—Judy Morris and Paula McGrael.

Signed:

Rev. Dale Jones
Rev. C. H. Burton
Rev. J. E. Raper

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

We, the Business Committee made the following recommendations to the Yearly Meeting:

I. Inasmuch as the ministerial cards used by the Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting ministers are different in some of the Quarterly Meetings, we recommend that:

- A. That a uniform card be adopted by all the Quarterly Meetings,
- B. A Committee of three (3) (one from each Quarterly Meeting) be appointed to draw up a uniform card,
- C. The card is to be presented to each of the Quarterly Meetings at their next meeting,
- D. When approved by all three Quarterly Meetings, that a supply of these cards be printed and the Yearly Meeting be responsible for providing subject cards,
- E. If approved in time, that these cards be used to report on next year.

II. We recommend that the request of Rev. Roger Reeds be granted as stated in the attached letter.

III. We recommend that the Yearly Meeting give a standing vote of thanks to the Desloge Church and the St. Francois County Quarterly Meeting for their splendid hospitality during this year's session.

Signed:

James E. Raper
John Long
Christine Halbrook
Olon Lincoln
Chester Weir
Lou Bequette

DENOMINATIONAL ENTERPRISE COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Denominational Enterprise recommend:

1. We recommend that the Churches of the Yearly Association fully support the Co-Operative Program, Foreign and Home Missions and the Free Will Baptist Bible College during the coming year.

2. We recommend our Churches and pastors urge our F. W. B. young people to attend Free Will Baptist Bible College in preference to secular schools.

3. We recommend that our Churches endeavor to increase League and Sunday School attendance by improving their program by using teachers training and an active enlistment program.

4. We recommend that our Churches support the National Sunday School and League Departments by purchasing our literature from them.

Signed:

Dean Burpo
Edith McCormak
Glenwood Hargiss
Goldia Kellerman
Erma Lea Hogan

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, the Credentials Committee, having carefully considered these reports and after prayer, recommend that the Ministerial Cards of good standing be granted to the following names:

The St. Louis District—Revs. Chester Weir, Floyd Arnold, Eugene Davis, Leslie Lee Logsdon, Gaylord Huckaba, Fred Harris, Chesley R. Hill, R. B. Spurgeon, Johnnie Land, Loy Smith, Harvey E. Hill, Harry Asher, Max Courtney and Albert McFarland.

St. Francois County—Revs. Glennwood Hargiss, Dean Burpo, C. B. Dees, Effie Matthews, Albert Tucker, Elmer Turnbough, Irvin Mills, Dale Jones, Grover Pingleton, James E. Raper, James Barker, John Long.

Madison County—Revs. Clarence H. Burton, Florence Long, S. G. Yount, George Hibbetts, O. D. Matthews, Dale

Stottler, Willard Darnell, Clarence Burcham, George Miller,
Lue Bequette and Lester Ferguson.

Signed:

Hazel E. Scott
Jane Howell
Ed Sirclum
Mrs. Hilderbrand
Ann Graham

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Temperance Committee, submit the following recommendations:

1. That we seek to live our personal lives as set forth in Romans 12:1-2: "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercy of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

If our lives conform to this we will abstain from the questionable things of life, such as the use of tobacco, immodest dress, alcoholic drink, dancing, theaters, or anything that would destroy our Christian testimony.

2. Furthermore, we urge all of our churches to continue to fight the liquor traffic.

3. That we be temperate in Church Worship. Such as remaining for the morning worship following Sunday School, be in League prior to the Sunday night Evangelistic Services and also in Prayer Meeting.

4. That our Sunday School Teachers teach the Bible in its fullness, and remember we will give account to God one day.

5. That we remember Godliness in our voting. Vote for the man and not just the politics.

6. To pray for and help instead of condemning our brother or sister when they fall.

Signed:

Everett Bowen
Oscar Shepherd
Orville Stone
Myrtle Pinkston
Ben La Brot

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, your Obituary Committee recommend that we bow our heads in prayer in humble submission to God's will in calling from our midst our beloved brethren and sisters to their Heavenly reward.

Those deceased during the past year are as follows:
John Cooper, Mary A. Kellerman, Stella Byington, Walter Scott, Josh Cash, Mary King, Sam Cole, Gussie Hamblin, Leila Taylor, Charles Womack, Rillis Counts, Annie Hovis, Clara Yancey, Mrs. Tom Holland, R. L. Sharp, Lester Hill, Anthony Much, Leslie Pogue, Fred Arthur, Henry Murray and Willard Myers.

Clara Washburn
C. A. McMillion
Geneva Barker

Signed:

Percy Henson
George Miller

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Moderator—Rev. Harvey Hill
Assistant Moderator—Rev. James Barker
Secretary-Treasurer—Rev. Albert Halbrook
Assistant Secretary—Rev. Elmer Turnbough

We recommend that the delegates to the State Association be appointed by the Moderator. We recommend that the officers of the Convention serve as the Program Committee.

Signed:

Dale Jones
Willard Darnell
Albert McFarland

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We submit the following report:

Ministers	34
Delegates	86
Visitors	156
Total	276

Signed:

Judy Morris
Paula McGrael

YEARLY MEETING TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance brought forward \$143.25

DISBURSEMENTS:

Clerk and Statistician fee	\$ 25.00
Assistant Clerk's fee	10.00
Printing of Minutes	73.27
Program and badges	16.03
Stamps, stationery and mailing of minutes	11.36

Total	\$135.66	\$135.66
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Balance	\$ 7.59
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RECEIPTS:

Woman's Auxiliary for Minutes	\$ 5.00
St. Francois County Q. M.	36.00
St. Louis District Q. M.	40.00
Madison County Q. M.	40.00
Statistical Letters	8.00

Total balance and receipts	\$136.59
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MINUTES OF SOUTHEAST MISSOURI

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

The Southeast Missouri Ministers' Conference met November 18, 1961 with the South Side F. W. B. Church of St. Louis. The meeting was called to order by the president, Elmer Turnbough. Singing led by Rev. Roger Reeds. Prayer by Rev. James Barker. Devotion by Rev. James McCully, Scripture I Tim. 1, followed with prayer by Rev. James E. Raper.

Business session:

Minutes of past meeting read and received.

Treasurer's report read and received.

Report was given by Rev. Elmer Turnbough concerning the Christmas Banquet.

M-S-C to meet with the St. Louis District Ministers and Deacons for the Fellowship Banquet, Dec. 8, 1961 at 7:00 P.M.

M-S-C to get film "Operation Abolition." If not possible to obtain this film, get "Communist Encirclement."

Information concerning the National League Expansion program by Rev. R. B. Spurgeon.

Information concerning the selling of bonds and opening of the Book Store by Rev. Roger Reeds.

M-S-C to adjourn for worship service. Prayer by R. Reeds.

11:00 o'clock Worship Hour.

Prayer by Rev. Floyd Arnold.

Message: Rev. Clarence Burton.

Scripture: Psalms 11.

Subject: "What Can The Righteous Do?"

Benediction for noon meal.

1:15 P. M. Service called to order by singing "Amazing Grace."

Prayer by Rev. Spurgeon.

Devotion by Rev. Max Courtney. Scripture: Romans 13.

M-S-C to appoint a committee to work out plans for a Ministers' Retreat.

President Rev. Turnbough appointed committee as follows: Revs. James E. Raper, Clarence Burton and Roger Reeds.

M-S-C to receive Rev. Harry Beatty into Conference.

Announcements concerning the Oklahoma State Convention giving the National Association of Free Will Baptists the Literature Program.

M-S-C to meet May 19, 1962 in St. Francois County.

M-S-C to give South Side Church standing vote for hospitality.

M-S-C to adjourn. Prayer, Rev. Albert Halbrooks.

Financial Report: Balance in Treasury \$21.50

Willard Darnell, Secretary & Treasurer.

Meeting was called to order by the President Rev. Elmer. 18, 1962 with the Fellowship F. W. B. Church of Flat River.

The Southeast Missouri Ministers' Conference met May Turnbough. Singing led by Rev. James Barker, followed by prayer. Discussion concerning the Pledge Cards for starting new Churches in Missouri. Rev. Harry Beatty, State Promotional Secretary, gave a brief report on the work of the Missouri State Churches mentioning the need for pastors in the rural areas.

Prayer by Rev. Ben Dees.

Recess.

11:00 o'clock Worship Service called to order by singing
"Bringing In The Sheaves." Prayer by Rev. Willard Darnell.

Song, "Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone."

President asked Rev. James E. Raper to introduce Evangelist Jack Paramore of Greenfield, N. C., as the speaker.

Scripture: Acts 2.

Text: Verse 47.

Subject: "How To Make A Church Grow."

Benediction by Rev. Albert Halbrooks.

Noon hour.

1:00 P. M. Service called to order by the President, Rev. Elmer Turnbough.

Song, "Amazing Grace," led by Rev. James Barker.

Prayer by Rev. Dale Jones.

Devotional by Rev. James Barker, giving 12 golden rules for Christian living. Prayer by Rev. Leu Bequette.

Business session:

Dues received in the amount of \$11.50.

Report by Rev. Raper concerning the Ministers' Retreat.

Discussed—no decision reached due to circumstances.

M-S-C to receive Revs. Eugene Burcham and Dale Jones into the Conference.

M-S-C to send \$15.00 to the Cuban Relief Fund.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

President Rev. Elmer O. Turnbough, Desloge, Mo.

Vice President Rev. Dean Burpo, Flat River, Mo.

Secretary-Treasurer .. Rev. Willard Darnell, Fredericktown, Mo.

M-S-C to receive Financial Report as read.

M-S-C that the next Conference be in Madison County.

M-S-C to adjourn. Prayer by Rev. Dale Jones.

Balance in Treasury \$17.00

Rev. Willard Darnell, Secretary-Treasurer

THE SOUTHEAST MISSOURI

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The Southeast Missouri Woman's Auxiliary Convention convened with the Parkview F. W. B. Church of Desloge, August 11, 1962.

Congregation song, "Ready," led by Doris Raper. Pianist, Mrs. Skaggs.

Meeting was called to order by President, Mrs. Iva Treaster.

Prayer by Mrs. Long.

Devotional: Mrs. Halbrooks. Scripture: Matt. 28:16, 20.

Special song: Erma Lea Hogan.

W. N. A. C. Report given by Mrs. Doris Raper.

Guest speaker: Rev. Mack Owens, Missionary to Canada.
Business:

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Treasurer's Report read and accepted as read.

Auxiliary Registration Committee Report: 92 present.

The finance and credential committee reports read and accepted.

Resolutions Committee as follows:

1. That we plan for three District Auxiliary Workshops this year, one to be in each Quarterly Meeting area. Time and place to be determined by Study Course Chairman.
2. That we reserve \$15.00 in the treasury for the expenses of a speaker in work shop.
3. That we give Ruth Wilfong \$8.00 for expense of last Youth Rally.
4. That each local Auxiliary contribute \$5.00 per year to promote Youth work. This is to be sent to District Youth Chairman as soon as possible.
5. That we send \$10.00 to C. E. R. F. in Miami, Florida.
6. That we pay our speaker \$15.00.

The following officers were elected:

President, Iva Treaster; Vice President, Sylvia Hill; Youth Chairman, Ruth Wilfong; Sec'y-Treas., Betty Camp; Assistant Secretary, Erma Lea Hogan; Stewardship Chair-

man, Vivian Burton; Personal Service Chairman, Doris Arnold; Corresponding Secretary, Gladys Turnbough; Study Course Chairman, Christine Halbrook; Field Worker, Elaine Spurgeon.

A rising vote of thanks was given the host church and adjourned with prayer.

Signed:

Vivian Burton
Violet Chapter
Ruth Wilfong
Juanita Skaggs
Kathleen La Brot
Genevieve White
Doris Arnold

Did not receive Treasurer's Report from Women's Auxiliary, therefore, cannot print.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF CHURCHES OF

For 1961 - 62

	Value of Church Property	Amount Paid Pastor	Amount for Evangelistic Work	Amount for Building & Repairs	Amount for Incidentals
South Side	\$125,000.00	\$ 5,160.00	\$ 202.96	\$ 9,840.18	\$ 3,391.58
Berkeley	200,000.00	5,205.00	200.00	7,577.62	4,592.01
Fourth	35,000.00	3,120.00	226.17	168.80	7,599.13
Overland	75,000.00	4,770.00	175.00	5,271.39	1,367.04
Faith	22,500.00	3,784.00	100.00	3,218.11	1,250.53
Salem	10,000.00	515.00	.....	427.09	743.73
Crystal C.	20,000.00	1,520.00	153.50	12,680.67	1,226.43
Richwoods	7,500.00	1,068.75	140.00	3,578.82	818.54
Fellowship	72,500.00	4,845.00	400.00	3,869.74	4,511.27
Bon. Terre	7,500.00	260.00	55.21	62.03	128.62
Desloge	55,000.00	4,170.00	225.00	2,489.67	2,290.72
Lead'g'n	25,000.00	2,788.00	66.29	960.50	708.59
Aulsbury	15,000.00	1,560.00	53.65	30.15	1,056.45
Farming'n	75,000.00	1,560.00	156.99	7,290.35	1,033.03
Hurryville	5,000.00	960.00	173.60	91.23	179.80
Fred'town	42,000.00	3,710.00	425.00	1,159.77	122.26
Cop'r M'ns	15,000.00	2,080.00	261.39	75.05	1,354.73
Mill Creek	12,000.00	1,000.00	82.38	.....	664.37
Mine L.M.	2,500.00	1,325.00	.....	.....	255.93
Twin Oaks	8,000.00	1,370.00	.....	.....	274.60
U. Light	15,000.00	480.00	174.44	.....	.....
Old Bethel	1,700.00	581.98	101.00	326.54	23.00
Oak Hill	4,000.00	490.00	75.00	44.00	94.48
North Side	15,000.00	240.00	60.00	270.00	125.00
Grace	15,822.75	460.00	750.00	15,822.75	800.00
Third	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals ..	\$881,022.75	\$53,022.73	\$4,257.58	\$75,254.46	\$34,611.84

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI YEARLY MEETING

Amount for Home Missions	Amount for Foreign Missions	Amount for Orphanage	Amount for Youth Camp	Amount for Cooperative Fund	Amount for Publication (S. S Lit., Etc.)	Amount for Bible College
\$ 443.86	\$2,427.29	.....	.....	\$ 499.37	\$ 243.45	\$165.50
86.71	957.96	.....	.....	1,618.43	399.08	15.00
8.13	81.62	40.00	15.00	210.00	235.28	.....
7.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	197.13	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	465.70	.....
.....	42.34	.....	.....	.....	83.79	.....
.....	73.40	.....	.....	370.24	164.57	.....
56.63	46.63	.....	83.87	212.18	203.27	.....
12.70	132.00	.....	.....	1,098.15	1,062.27	580.00
27.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	38.64	.....
116.44	375.00	71.02	.....	647.57	275.32	.....
30.00	.....	.....	.....	103.66	194.59	.....
105.20	704.33	.....	.....	352.45	189.42	.....
437.34	860.33	.....	.....	722.35	179.35	.....
48.00	110.54	.....	.....	317.97	87.45	.....
317.66	2,260.00	254.18	.....	1,128.69	529.13	118.00
132.80	22.89	.....	.....	442.96	110.05	.....
12.30	34.37	.....	.....	231.87	123.52	.....
76.00	.....	.....	.....	120.60	48.84	.....
29.62	200.00	288.00	110.64
27.00	240.20	38.15	240.48
75.00	50.00	54.72
.....	32.71
11.00	10.00	34.00
30.00	8.20	280.00
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\$2,091.74	\$8,637.10	\$365.20	\$98.87	\$8,402.64	\$5,583.40	\$878.60

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES

For 1961 - 62

	State of Religion	July 1, 1961 to June 30, 1962	Membership July 1, 1961	Number Baptized	Number Dismissed by Letter	Number Deceased	Resident Members	Non-Resident Members	Total Membership June 30, 1962	Number of Tithers
South Side	Good	..	119	..	..	1	Being Rev's'd	...		
Berkeley City	Good	37	245	9	11	..	241	30	271	45
Fourth	Good	20	51	11	3	1	60	7	67	17
Overland	Good	22	155	9	45	..	116	3	119	23
Faith	Good	50	96	4	2	..	137	9	146	29
Salem	Good	3	35	..	..	..	26	12	38	6
Crystal City	Good	10	71	4	..	..	62	19	81	9
Richwoods	Good	4	54	2	1	2	48	7	55	12
Fellowship	Good	26	236	21	7	4	230	21	251	73
Bonne Terre	Good	..	25	..	2	..	22	1	23	..
Desloge	Good	19	130	13	..	..	134	15	149	..
Leadington	Good	2	149	..	6	..	35	110	145	17
Aulsbury Chapel ..	Good	..	104	..	1	2	81	20	101	..
Farmington	Good	5	100	..	6	..	84	16	100	..
Hurryville	Good	17	53	14	3	1	50	3	53	..
Fredericktown	Good	15	206	14	3	4	204	9	213	..
Copper Mines	Good	11	95	10	..	2	69	35	104	13
Mill Creek	Good	6	79	4	3	..	42	34	76	..
Mine La Motte	Good	..	..	..	2	..	37	14	51	9
Twin Oaks	Good	9	100	2	..	..	51	58	109	10
Union Light	Good	..	..	..	..	1	24	14	38	..
Old Bethel	Good	3	33	4	..	..	23	13	36	2
Oak Hill	Fair	11	42	8	1	..	33	19	42	..
North Side	Good	43	..	..	..	..	42	1	43	..
Grace .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	55	1	56	12
Third .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTALS	Good	313	2178	129	96	18	1906	471	2367	277

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI YEARLY MEETING

	Condition of Prayer Meeting	Condition of Leagues	League Membership	Condition of Auxiliary & Missions	Membership of Auxiliary	Enrollment of Sunday School	Number of Officers	Number of Teachers	Number of Ordained Ministers	Number of Licensed Ministers	Number of Ordained Deacons
South Side	Good	Fair	...	...	...	...	8	11	2	2	2
Berkeley City ..	Good	Good	98	Good	36	317	5	20	1	2	7
Fourth	Good	Fair	52	Good	13	86	11	9	2	1	2
Overland	Good	Good	91	Good	22	162	6	14	1	1	4
Faith	Fair	Fair	57	Fair	22	135	6	11	2	2	1
Salem	Good	Good	34	..	...	50	2	5	..	1	3
Crystal City ..	Good	Good	50	Good	15	79	2	7	2	2	3
Richwoods ...	Good	Good	40	...	...	...	8	5	1	..	3
Fellowship ..	Good	Good	76	Good	19	318	16	21	2	1	7
Bonne Terre ..	Good	...	...	...	...	35	7	4	1	..	2
Desloge	Good	Good	65	Good	25	135	8	14	2	..	5
Leadington ..	Good	Good	32	Good	6	57	3	8	1	..	2
Aulsbury Chap.	Good	Good	25	...	...	59	4	9	1	..	3
Farmington ..	Good	Good	40	....	...	117	5	7	1	..	3
Hurryville ...	Good	...	...	...	...	71	3	7	3	3	2
Fredericktown	Good	Good	50	Good	21	215	4	13	2	..	6
Copper Mines ..	Good	Good	24	Good	10	110	3	9	3	..	5
Mill Creek ...	Good	Good	22	....	..	57	11	7	1	..	3
Mine La Motte	Good	Fair	28	..	...	65	3	5	1	..	3
Twin Oaks ..	Good	Bad	...	Good	8	65	3	6	4	..	5
Union Light ..	Fair	...	...	...	...	152	6	9	3	..	3
Old Bethel ...	Good	Good	26	....	...	31	2	4	1	..	2
Oak Hill ...	Fair	Poor	18	...	...	35	3	4	2	..	2
North Side ..	Fair	...	...	Good	...	50	8	4	1	1	..
Grace	Good	Good	36	Good	...	90	3	7	1	1	2
Third .....	....	....	...	....	...	....	....	....	....	....	..
TOTALS	[Good]	[Good]	864	[Good]	197	2491	140	220	41	17	80

CONSTITUTION

This organization shall be known as the Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting of Free Will Baptists and shall be composed of the St. Francois County Quarterly Meeting, the Madison County Quarterly Meeting, and the St. Louis District Quarterly Meeting.

Article I

When the delegated body shall meet in regular annual session for the transaction of 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 hymns, the Moderator shall read, or have read, some suitable Scripture. Then prayer shall be offered. This Association shall convene on Thursday night before the second Sunday in August.

Article II

Five or more delegates from one or more churches of each Quarterly Meeting comprising this Yearly Meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. However, a lesser number may adjourn from time to time.

Article III

The letters from the Quarterly Meetings to be read, dues received (\$4.00 per church), the delegates seated. All ordained ministers and their companion and licensed ministers who are in good standing and full fellowship with some church in the Yearly Meeting, together with ordained deacons, church clerks, and church treasurers, shall by virtue of their authority, be standing delegates in this Yearly Meeting.

Article IV

All officers shall be elected at the close of the regular session of said Southeast Missouri Yearly Meeting to serve one year until their successors are elected and qualified.

Article V

The Moderator shall appoint all committees unless otherwise ruled by the body.

Article VI

The Moderator shall have the privilege to solicit the help of any minister or delegate present, in appointing committees.

Article VII

After the organization has been completed, corresponding messengers and visiting brethren from other religious bodies are invited to a seat in council. Should there be letters of greetings or reports from other bodies, they may, at this time, be read.

Article VIII

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.

Article IX

Before any question can properly be discussed by the delegated body, it must be brought before the body by a motion properly sustained. All questions are settled by a majority vote of the delegates present. When a question is properly before the body, any regular delegate has a right to speak on the subject. No person shall be allowed to speak 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.

Article X

The Moderator shall have power to stop all discussions that are leading to confusion.

Article XI

Official papers of this Yearly Meeting must be signed by the Moderator of the Yearly Meeting and the Secretary.

Article XII

Each Quarterly Meeting belonging to the Yearly Meeting shall be entitled to three (3) delegates at large, one (1) delegate for each church organization, and one (1) delegate for each fifty members of the church or major fraction thereof.

Article XIII

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, "Brother Moderator," or "Brother Chairman" and shall speak no further until they have been recognized by the Moderator.

Article XIV

This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds majority vote, provided that one day's previous notice of proposed change or amendment has been given.

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 County Quarterly Meeting, St. Francois County Quarterly and the St. Louis District Quarterly Meetings of the Free Will Baptist Denomination.

No. 1—The officers of this Yearly Meeting shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator and Secretary-Treasurer who shall also serve as Statistician and Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. There shall also be an Executive Board of three or more members who are actively engaged in work of the Free Will Baptist Church in Southeast Missouri. No one person can hold more than one office.

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

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

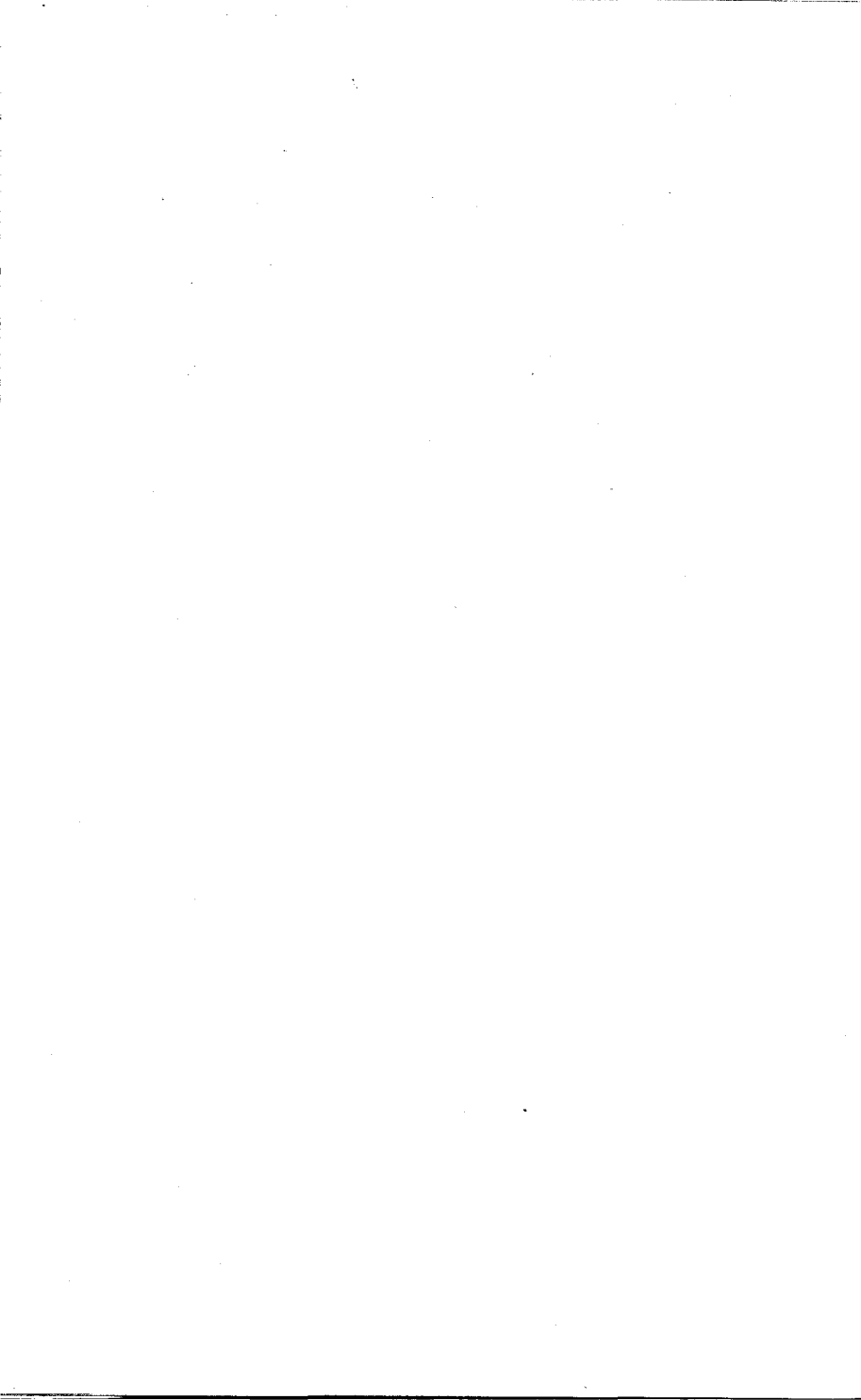
No. 4—The Moderator and Assistant Moderator shall not be elected jointly but shall be elected separately by nomination and by legal vote.

No. 5—The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected by nomination and by legal vote as the Moderator and Assistant Moderator. (The Assistant Secretary shall be elected in like manner). He or she will hold office for one year, and be paid a salary agreed upon by him or her 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 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 the Free Will Baptists everywhere.

No. 6—The Executive Board shall be elected as other officers, but shall serve 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, and convey 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.

No. 7—These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds majority vote, provided that one day's previous notice of proposed change or amendment has been given.







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