

The 33rd Annual Ministerial Association of Free Will Baptist of Southern Illinois when Convened with Blue Point Church June 1952
Song - Revive us again

Prayer - Rev. C. A. Curry

Song - In my Heart There Reigns a Melody

Devotional - Rev. Tracy Dees

This was a very spiritual devotional.

Prayer - Rev. John M. Smith

In the absence of the moderator and assistant moderator, the Clerk took over for election of Moderator. Rev. John M. Smith being the oldest minister present was appointed moderator pro tem. Nominations for moderator were in ~~place~~ order. Rev. C. A. Curry duly elected moderator. Rev. Curry then appointed Rev. C. J. Ketteman assistant moderator.

Reading of minutes were read. Same were approved ^{was}

Business Committee appointed: Everett Beatty, Geraldine Lewis & Dora V. Smith

Election for someone to bring 11:00' Clock message. Rev. C. A. Curry duly elected.

Topic: What Qualifications does the Lord require of a minister? opened by Rev. C. N. Curry, followed by Rev. Opal Hiltibidal, Bro Tracy Dees, C. J. Ketteman and others.

Moderator then ~~declared~~ entertained a motion we table the 10:30 Topic until afternoon.

Motion made by Rev. Tracy Dees & seconded by Rev. John Hiltibidal. Motion Carried.

Motion then made to adjourn business until 1:30 P. M. Motion made by Rev. John M. Smith & seconded by Rev. Willie Huffman. Motion Carried.

Congregational song - Take time to Be Holy
Benediction by Rev. Arthur Kern.

Came together at 11:00 o'clock, sermon by Rev. C. A. Curry based on Matthew 25th Chapter. This was a very inspiring message - adjournment

afternoon 1:30 P. M.

opened by singing by Congregation and prayer by ^{Sis} Alene Hanna.

Devotional by Sis Ella Mae Hiltibidal taken from St. Matthew 18th Chapter

No business was found by the business Committee.

10:30 topic was brought up at this time. "How Can We as a Yearly Meeting Grow Enlarging Our Free Will Baptist Denomination" opened by Sis. Geraldine Lewis, Alfred Rainey, ~~John~~ C. J. Ketteman, John Hiltibidal and ^{others}

Roll Call of ministers present: Elders Raymond Pitchford, C. A. Curry, B. H. Barnfield, Lovie Hanna, Alene Hanna, C. H. Curry, C. J. Ketteman, John Hiltibidal, Ella Mae Hiltibidal, Opal Hiltibidal, Lee Le Vault, Lepton Harpole, Wanda V. Smith, Willie Huffman, Versell Clark, Geraldine Lewis, Tracy Dees, Gerald Whitall, Alfred Rainey, Everett Beatty, Lester Breeze, Harry S. Hughes, Arthur Kern, and John M. Smith

Motion made by Bro H. V. Smith & seconded by Bro Tracy Dees that a standing vote of thanks be given the Blue Point Church for their entertaining the Yearly. Motion Carried

Motion made by Bro H. V. Smith that we as ministers grow record saying we are glad to accept these 3 ministers from Wayne Co. Presbyterially in our yearly Association Minister's Conference. Motion seconded by Rev. J. M. Smith. Motion Carried

Motion made by Rev. H. V. Smith that ministers institute stand & adjourned until the regular business meeting in 1953. Seconded by Bro. Lepton Harpole. Motion Carried.

Nomination is a-ides for someone

to sharing Introductory message at the
Ministers Institute in 1953. Bro Alfred
Rainey was duly elected.
Adjournment!

Proceeding of Yearly Association
The 33rd Annual Session of the Free
Will Baptist Association of Southern,
Illinois when Convened at the Blue
Paint Church June 4-8, 1952.

Song - Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross

Prayer - Bro. Tracy Allen

Song - In the Child of The King

In the absence of the Moderator and
Assistant Moderator a Moderator Bro. Jim
was elected. Bro. Wallace Malone
nominated Sis. Geraldine Lewis. It
was moved Nominations Cease and we
elect by acclamation. Motion Carried
and vote taken.

~~Motion~~ Minutes of last session
read by the Clerk. Motion made by Bro
Harpole and 2nd by Bro Willie Huffman
that minutes be accepted as read. Motion
Carried.

Quarterly letters were then read.
Motion made by Bro. Marsh Harpole
and 2nd by Bro. Raymond Fitchford
that ^{Franklin Co. Quarterly} ~~quarterly~~ letters be accepted & read
and delegates seated with the exception
that Bro. Everett Lewis be placed as
a delegate from Hazel dell Church to
take the place of Sis. Eva McKemie who
was unable to attend. Motion Carried.

Nominations for Moderator Called
for. Bro. ~~Harrell~~ Clark, Marsh Harpole
Nominated. Motion was made
and 2nd we proceed to elect by
acclamation. Bro. Marsh Harpole elected

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unanimously.

Bro. Marsh Haypole then took over and appointed Bro. Hosea Smith as assistant moderator.

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Motion made by Bro. Marsh Haypole and 2nd by Bro. Willie Huffman that Wayne County Quarterly letters be accepted as read and delegate seated. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Bro. Wallace Malone and 2nd by Bro. Polillard that letter from Freedom Quarterly be read and delegates seated. Carried.

Motion made by Bro. George Waggoner and 2nd to receive letter from Freedom Quarterly and seat the delegates. Carried.

Reading of Church Covenant by Bro. Marsh Haypole.

Motion by Bro. Geo. Waggoner and 2nd by Bro. Wallace Malone that we depart from the printed program and appoint Committee. Motion Carried. The Asst. moderator then took over and appointed the Committee.

Pulpit Committee: Sis. Braker, Wayne Co. Quarterly; Bro. Edward Polillard, Freedom Quarterly; and Sis. Wyneta Presley from Franklin Co. Quarterly.

Memorial Committee: Sis. Jones, Freedom Quarterly; Bro. Robert Law, Franklin Co. Quarterly and Bro. Joe Cox from Freedom Quarterly.

Closing Resolution Committee: Sister Breeze, Franklin Co. Quarterly, Sis. Polillard from Freedom Quarterly and Bro. Everett Lewis from Franklin Co. Quarterly.

Business Committee: Bro. Aaron Shuman, Franklin Co. Quarterly; Bro. Geo. Waggoner, Franklin Co. Quarterly; Bro. Willie Huffman, Freedom Quarterly; Bro. Burling Barnfield, Franklin Co. Quarterly and Bro. Wallace Malone.

From Franklin Co. Quarterly. with Bro. C. J. Ketterman to fill Bro. Malone's place if he should be absent.

Report from National Association given by Sis. Geraldine Lewis. This was a very interesting report being enjoyed by all.

Motion made by Bro. Wallace Malone 2nd by Bro. Tracy Dees that report be accepted and a standing vote of thanks be given Sis. Lewis. Carried and Vote of Thanks taken.

Motion made and 2nd that we pay expenses of the members of our General Board (Bros. Geo. Waggoner) to the National Association. Motion Carried.

Standing vote of thanks was then given Bro. C. J. Ketterman for his services on the National General Board heretofore.

Partial Report of Pulpit Committee given appointing Bro. Wallace Malone for the 11:00' Clock service.

Motion made by Bro. C. H. Curry and 2nd by Bro. Lee LeVault that business stand adjourned until 1:30 P. M. Carried adjournment.

11:00' Clock service

Service opened by singing and prayer. Bro. Wallace Malone preached a very inspiring message.

Afternoon 1:30 P. M.

Opened by Congregational singing and prayer by Bro. Raymond Pitchford. Devotional was by Bro. John M. Smith - very uplifting.

Nominations for some one to

preach the 1953 Introductory to Yearly Prayer. Bro Floyd Hartley nominated.

Motion made that Nominations Cease and we elect Bro. Hartley unanimously. Motion Carried. This 1953 Yearly will be held at Johnston City Free Will Baptist Church in Freedom quarterly.

Nominations in order for Clerk for the ensuing year. Motion made and 2nd we retain present Clerk. Motion Carried.

Motion made and 2nd we table the election of Treasurer until tomorrow. Motion Carried.

~~Read~~ Report of Pulpit Committee for ~~Sat. Service~~.

We, the pulpit Committee recommend Bro Hosea Smith for 11:00' Clock ^{Sat} and Sis. Doreline Lewis for Evening Service. Signed Committee: Edward Rahillard, Myeta Pressley and Iva Brooker.

Motion made by Bro C. H. Curry that we close business meeting of Yearly Conference near the 4:00 P.M. hour Saturday until the next regular Business meeting in 1953 Yearly. Also the ones selected by the Pulpit Committee appointed this year carry over for this session. Motioned 2nd by Bro. Harlan Street.

Motion made & 2nd the above be tabled until tomorrow Business Session Carried.

Pulpit Comm then submitted a complete report selecting Bro Raymond Pitchford for the 11:00' Clock service Sunday June 8th and Bro Lepton Hooper for Sunday night services. Signed Committee: Edward Rahillard, Myeta Pressley and Iva Brooker.

Report was accepted as read and delegates held in case of someone to fill in.

Business Committee report: "We the Business Committee of the S. O. C. Yearly meeting of Free Will Baptist recommend

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the following items for discussion
I The appointment of a Committee
to investigate with an attorney the
legal requirements pertaining to our
Constitution and By-Laws.

II That if our Constitution and By
laws are not in legal order they draw
up laws that the State of Illinois will
approve

III That, if our Constitution and
By-Laws are approved, all Quarterly
Meetings adopt the same to govern
their own Quarterly.

IV That the Yearly Meeting would
approve a 4th Quarterly meeting to
be composed of some of the churches
of the present 3 Quarterly meetings
in order that our State may have a
recognized State Association.

Signed Comm: A. E. Drennan, Willie
Huffman, B. H. Barnfield George W.
Waggoner and Wallace Malone.

Motion made by Bro. Geo.
Waggoner & 2nd by Bro. C. J. Kettelman
that we discuss these one by one.
Motion Carried

I Motion made by Bro. Geo.
Waggoner that Chaic appoint a Comm.
of 4 with an attorney to see what
are our legal requirements pertaining
to our Constitution and by-Laws, 2nd
by Bro. Wallace Malone. Motion Carried

Committee appointed were: Bros.
Lepton Harpole, Wallace Malone, C. H. Curry,
George Waggoner and Willie Huffman.

Motion made by Sis. Heraldine
Lewis and 2nd by Bro. Drennan that
Article # be adopted. Motion Carried

III Motion made by Bro Drennan

and 2nd by Bro. Willie Huffman that Article III be adopted - Carried

IV Motion made by Bro. C. N. Curry and 2nd by Bro. Geo. Waggoner that we approve Article 4. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Bro. Raymond Pitchford and 2nd by Bro. Geo. Waggoner that we take no one in but by immersion Carried.

Report of Ladies Auxiliary given by Sis. Geraldine Lewis. Reports were from 6 churches and district report. She reported 120 enrolled. 350 leaflets, tracts etc distributed, 5 Vacation ^{mission} Bible Schools, paid to College \$11.21, 3 study classes. Tithes on roll at beginning of year were 31 and now are 34 an increase of 3. Weeks of prayer 6. Gifts sent to needy ministers 4 Xmas Boxes and \$10.00 Cash. Total Disbursement for the year \$1254.85

Motion made by Bro. Wallace Malone and 2nd by Bro. Marsh Harpole that report be accepted as read and a vote of thanks given the Women's Auxiliary. Motion Carried and Vote given.

Renewing of Ministers Cards.

Motion made by Bro. Geo. Waggoner and 2nd by Bro. Brennan that we renew cards of those approved by Quarterly and consider at this time those reports not so considered. Motion Carried

Motion made by Bro. Geo. Waggoner, 2nd by Bro. Willie Huffman that we accept reports of Franklin County Quarterly Ministers turning in reports at yearly. Motion Carried

Motion made by Bro. C. J. Ketteman, 2nd by Bro. Geo. Waggoner that we accept reports of Freedom Quarterly Ministers and grant them cards. Motion Carried

Motion made by Bro. Geo. Waggoner, 2nd by Bro. C. J. Ketteman that the yearly meeting approve and issue cards to ministers whose reports have been held up for investigation if the Quarterly meeting approve. These reports have been held up by a Committee of Franklin Co. Quarterly whose business was to O.K. Ministerial Cards. Carried.

Motion made by Bro. C. J. Ketteman, 2nd by Bro. Drennan that we adjourn business until 7:30 P.M. Carried.

Finite 7:30 P.M.

Opened by singing and prayer followed by a testimony service.

Bro. Waggoner reported we had paid over our quota of \$500 for Foreign Missions the sum of \$151.91 making the grand total of \$651.91.

Bro. Geo. Waggoner brought the message based on 7th Chapter of St. Luke, Romans 8:14, 15 and Romans 8:12, 13. This was a Very inspiring and soul searching message on being debtors to God. This was followed by an altar service being led in prayer by Bro. Marsh Haypole.

Sat. Morn. June 7th

Opened by singing and prayer by Bro. Charles R. Porter.

Devotional by Bro. Dwight Clame.

Appointment of auditing Committee by the Chair consisting of Bros. Geo. Waggoner, Jack Ketteman and C. H. Curry.

Motion made by Bro. C. J. Ketteman and 2nd by Bro. Charles R. Porter that yesterday's minutes be read. Motion Carried.

Minutes read,

Sat. 11 o'clock - opened by singing & prayer by Bro John Whittell. also some
Specials were sang by Bro. Andrew R. Porter and Bro. Melvin Robertson. Message by
Bro. H. V. Smith on Judges 16:25. Verse to reminder of chapters. This was a spirit filled message.
Song by Congregation and dismissed by prayer by Bro Howard F. Latta.

Motion made by Bro. Willie Huffman,
2nd by Bro. Hosea V. Smith that we elect
treasurer. Motion Carried

Motion made by Bro. C. J. Ketteman and
2nd by Bro. C. H. Curry that we retain
present treasurer & Carried.

Motion made by Bro Geo. Waggoner
and 2nd by Bro. C. J. Ketteman that
our Constitution and by-laws of our
Yearly Meeting be read at present time.
Motion Carried and they were read by
Bro. Hosea V. Smith.

Motion made by Bro. Geo. Waggoner,
2nd by Bro. C. J. Ketteman we adjourn
business until afternoon - Motion lost.

Motion made by Bro. Charles R. Porter
2nd by Bro. C. A. Curry that Committee be
empowered to revise the Yearly Meeting
Constitution and by-laws to be presented
at the next Yearly Meeting for disposal. Carried.

Motion made by Bro Charles R. Porter
2nd by Bro. C. J. Ketteman we go on into
new business - Motion Carried

Remarks on Bible College by Sis. Pat.
Worrie. This was a very interesting report
being enjoyed by all. Sis. Pat reported
134 enrolled in Bible School College.
This was the ending of the 10th yr. of the
College.

Motion made by Bro. C. J. Ketteman and
2nd by Bro. Lepton Harpole we adjourn
business until 1:30 P. M. - Carried.

We then had a song and prayer by
Bro. C. A. Curry. a short intermission then
followed being called together at 11 o'clock
for preaching.

1:30 P. M. Sat.

Opened by singing by Congregation and
prayer by Bro. Herald Whittell

Motion we dispose of all business before Memorial service. This Motion was made by Bro. W. R. Burton and 2nd by Bro. John Hilti-badal. Motion Carried.

Auditing Comm. report. We the undersigned members of the Auditing Committee have this day examined the books and report of Yearly meeting treasurer and find them to be correct and in order. Signed this 7th day of June 1952 - Geo. W. Waggoner, C. H. Curry and C. J. Ketterman.

Motion made by Bro. W. R. Burton, 2nd by Bro. H. V. Smith that report be accepted as read. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Bro. W. R. Burton, 2nd by Bro. Lester Breeze that we accept report of Bro. Abel & Card be issued by this Conference. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Bro. L. F. Happle 2nd by Bro. Geo. Waggoner that other ministers Cards be accepted or rejected at this time and an amendment to this by Bro. Geo. Waggoner and 2nd by Bro. W. R. Burton that reports held by the Quarterly Meeting Committee be taken at this time if desired. Vote on original Motion Carried also the vote on amendment Carried.

Reading of the ministers reports by Bro. H. V. Smith.

Motion made by Bro. W. R. Burton and 2nd by Bro. John Hilti-badal that reports of the 3 Bros. whose Cards were withheld be received and Cards granted. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Bro. Geo. Waggoner, 2nd by Bro. Carl Williams that we accep.

reports of these other ministers and grant them cards. Motion Carried.

Closing Resolution Comm. report then given Motion made by Bro. W. R. Burton, 2nd by Bro. Charles P. Porter that report be accepted and Committee released. Carried.

No report on Supranunciation Motion made by Bro. W. R. Burton, 2nd by Bro. Charles P. Porter that Oak Valley and Johnsonville Churches also be included in Closing Resolution Committee report as Blue Point was the only one mentioned in report. Carried.

As Bro. Raymond Pitchford could not preach on Sun. morning and 2 of the Comm. on pulpit had left. Bro. Polillard Chairman of the Comm. selected Bro. 2 to help him to make a report for the Vacancy. Their report was as follows:

At the pulpit Committee select Rev. John Hiltedahl to preach Sunday at 11 O'Clock Signed Comm: Edward Polillard, Melvin Robertson and Mrs. R.C. Whitself

Motion made and ^{seconded} ~~carried~~ we retain last years ^{program} ~~business~~ Committee. Motion Carried. This Committee consists of Sis Irene Sullivan Chairman, A. G. Faverly from Wayne Co. Quarterly, ^{Bro.} Arthur Horrie, Franklin Co. Quarterly and Bro. Harry Hughes from Freedom Quarterly.

Electing a delegate to the National Association was next in order. Bro. C. J. Ketterman Nominated. Motion made by Bro. W. R. Burton and 2nd by Bro. Dewey Merritt that nominations close and we proceed to elect. Motion Carried and Rev. C. J. Ketterman was duly elected.

Bro. Henry Britton gave the Treasurers

report stating he had on hand at present
#189.49

Motion made by Bro. H. R. Burton
and 2nd by Bro. Charles R. Porter that
report of treasurer be accepted as read.
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Bro. Charles R.
Porter and 2nd by Bro. Dewey Merrill
that we go on record as advancing
the sum of \$75.00 to Bro. C. J. Ketteman
for his expenses to the National
Association. Motion Carried.

Sunday School Alliance report was
then given by Bro. C. J. Ketteman in
the absence of Bro. Wallace Malone.

An offering of \$34.49 was then
taken for Bro. L. E. Abel.

Motion made by Bro. C. G. Curry
2nd by Bro. Carl Williams that we
stand adjourned our business
session until 1953 yearly meeting.
Motion Carried.

Adjourned

note → Memorial Comm. report turned in
but never read. Their report was as
follows: Wayne County had 5 deaths,
namely, Bro. Louis Wilford, Bro. Ben
Block, Bro. Claude Slack, ^{from Bear Point} Bro. Steve Laughlin ^{Johns Creek}
and 'Sis. Ada Williard. Oak Valley

Freedom Quarterly had 12 deaths but
only named 4. Those were Sis. Vida
Roberts, Bro. Walter Woodward, Sis
May Jones and Bro. William Crafton.

Franklin County Quarterly reported
18 deaths namely, Bro. William Merck
and Sis. Emma Clamper, Bear Point, Sis. Ethel
Barefield, Bakerville. Sis. Rosa Mandrell,
Eakin Grove; Bro. Leslie Gibson, Mt. Vernon.
Sis. Lucy Wharry, Mt. Zion (T. Ville) Sis. Wanda.

Hall, Mason; Bro. Tom Hall, Oak Grove; Sis.
 Julia Drennan, New Hope, Sis. Adeline
 Lappin, Wattonville. Bro. C. W. Shaw Salem.
 Bro. Charlie Davis Sis. Ida Lawson, Bro.
 Ray Underwood, Rescue and Bro.
 Harney Whitlow of Hazel Dell.
 Signed Committee

Joe Cox, Robert Law & Doris Jones

Marsh Harpole Moderator
 H. V. Smith Asst. Moderator
 Irene Sullivan Clerk