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The 36th Annual Ministerial Association
Of the Free Will Baptist when convened with
the Oak Valley Church on June 2, 1955.

Song - "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"
followed by altar of prayer by all who
wished.

Rev. Byford Campbell led the Devotional with
Scripture from Psalm 100.

Rev. Berlin Scarborough had charge in
absence of moderator to Elect the new
moderator. Rev. Jack Ketterman was
nominated by Rev. Carl Williams. No other
nominations were made so Rev. Ketterman
was duly elected.

Heda McCluskey was nominated for
clerk. There being no other nomination
she was duly elected.

Rev. Carl Williams was appointed
by the pulpit committee to bring the
morning message.

The moderator appointed the business
committee namely, Rev. Lester Bruce, Rev.
Willie Huffman, Rev. Berlin Scarborough.

Motion was made to adjourn by Rev.
Huffman and seconded by Rev. Scarborough.

Programs didn't arrive so motion
was made by Rev. Carl Williams to have
a day of fellowship.

Morning Service.

The morning worship hour was opened
by singing "Where He Leads Ill Follow"
Prayer by Rev. Williams.

Rev. Williams used as his scripture Acts 8.
"Keep thy heart right" as his theme with
Prov. 4-23 for the text.

Rev. Ketterman suggested altar of prayer
Rev. Arthur Kern dismissed with prayer

Afternoon Service

The afternoon service was opened by singing "I'm going that way". Pray by Rev. Hester Breeze

The Business Committee reports "no business". Rev. Scarborough made the motion the business committee be dismissed was seconded by Rev. Breeze. The business committee was dismissed.

Rev. Willie Huffman was asked to take charge of Devotional using First Cor. 1-15 as his scripture.

The Pulpit Committee asked for Rev Leon Mc Bride and Rev. Hester Breeze to bring the afternoon messages.

Rev. Mc Bride took his scripture from second King 10 - His text First Samuel 15 - 2, 2.

Rev. Breeze took his scripture from Timothy - 3 chapter and Second Cor. 6-16

Pleacher for next year referred to yearly conference.

The song "I'm saved" was sung. Hand shake dismissed with an altar prayer.

ministers present

Lucille Scarborough	Byford Campbell
Everett Beatty	Carl Williams
B. J. Kettman	J. M. Smith
Willie Huffman	Arthur Kern
George McCluskey	Leon Mc Bride
Berlin Scarborough	Hester Breeze

Moderator: Rev. Jack Kettman

Clerk: Freda McCluskey

1955
The 36th Annual Session of Free Will Baptist Association of Southern Ill when convened with the Oak Valley Church June 3 1955

Services were opened by singing "Take the name of Jesus with you" "Are you washed in the Blood?"

Prayer by Rev. C. H. Curry. Song an old account was settled. Prayer by Rev. Byford Campbell and Rev. Wm Buster

Rev George Waggoner was nominated for Moderator by Rev. H. Pierce. Rev C. H. Curry nominated Rev. Willie Huffman. Rev Ketteman nominated Rev Claude Childers. Motion was made by Rev. Arthur Kern to close nominations, seconded by Rev. Byford Campbell. Rev Huffman was elected, Rev. George Waggoner was appointed as assistant Moderator.

Letters from the various churches were read by clerk.

Motion was made by Rev. Byford Campbell and seconded by Rev James Fite that letters be accepted and delegates seated. Motion carried.

Rev. Willie Huffman read scripture from John - 14 and had prayer.

Pulpit Committee appointed by the Moderator was: Bro Earl Jent, Bro Edith Smith and Bro Frank Harris.

Business Committee appointed by the Moderator was Bro Jay Light, Bro Earl Hilliard, Rev. Claude Childers.

Auditing Committee appointed by the Moderator was Bro. Gordon Neal Mrs. Ada McCluskey and Earl Jent.

Motion was made by Rev William Buster and seconded by Rev Claude Childers that Deacons be allowed to vote; Motion carried.

Sister Dora Jones gave a report of the ^{Spring} National Association which was in ⁸⁰ ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ 1954. Motion was made by Rev. Hossa Smith and seconded by Rev. James Fite that we accept the report. Motion carried.

Pulpit Committee gave report as follows Rev. Claude Childers to bring message at 11:00 O'clock Friday, Rev. Wallace Malone Saturday and Rev. George Waggoner Saturday evening message. Motion was made by Rev. James Fite and seconded by Rev. Herbert Pierce that report be accepted. Motion carried.

Rev. Herbert Pierce was nominated by Rev. Dewey Merritt, to bring the introductory message for next year. Motion carried.

Morning worship was opened by singing "Oh I want to see Him" and "At the Cross". Prayer by Rev. G. Breeze. Rev. Claude Childers delivered the morning message using as his Scripture Luke 12:41-48. Song "Sweet By and By" and a hand shake. Rev. C. A. Curry prayed the dismissal prayer.

Afternoon Session

Afternoon services were opened at 1:30 by singing "I'll Fly Away" and "Wonderful Jesus". Devotions by Rev. Dewey Merritt reading John 3 and having prayer by Rev. Jack Ketterman. Song "Peace in the Valley" by Elva Barnfield.

The ministers reports were read by clerk. Motion made by Rev. George Waggoner and seconded by Rev. Byford Campbell that reports be turned over to business committee. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Rev. Byford Campbell and seconded by Rev. ~~Arthur~~ ^{Arthur} that we elect Freda McCluskey for clerk of the yearly conference. Motion was carried.

we the Business Committee of the annual conference recommend that. "Whereas since the yearly has the state charter, feel that the yearly meeting shall make the by laws and constitution to govern our ministers so that if a man or woman, wishing to be ordained may be ordained in any quarterly meeting when they have completed the course layed down by the yearly conference. A Substitute motion was made by Rev. Herbert Pierce for the Moderator to select a committee, one from each quarterly to oversee the study course to be used by the yearly. Motion carried.

The Committee appointed were as follows, Rev. George Waggoner, Rev Paul Barnfield and Rev. Claude Childers

we the Business Committee recommend that we accept the proposed constitution and By Laws. Discussion. Motion was made by Rev. Jack Kettman and seconded by Rev. Byford Campbell to adopt the proposed constitution and By laws. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Rev. Byford Campbell and seconded by Rev. Dewey Merritt that we adjourn business until 9.30 Saturday morning. Motion Carried.

Song "Bless be the Lie" Prayer of dismissal by Rev. Arthur Kern.

Saturday June 4, 1955

Services were opened by singing "Joy unspeakable,
"Have Lifted me", Prayer by Rev. Leon McBride and
read Psalms 135-5 and Psalms 133

Rev. Wallace Malone read the Church Covenant
The clerk read the minutes of the previous
session. Stood corrected and approved
Motion made by Rev. Jack Ketterman and
seconded by Rev. Leon McBride to adopt the
study course and release the Business Comm.
Discussion Motion Carried.

Motion was made to adopt revision of
"Article 6" of Constitution by Rev. Leon McBride
and seconded by Rev. E. J. Able. Motion lost
Motion was made by Rev. Dewey Merritt and
seconded by Rev. Lester Breeze to have the
clerk have 500 minutes printed and the
treasurer be authorized to pay for them
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Rev. Jack Ketterman and
Seconded by Rev. Dewey Merritt to accept
the Business Committee report on ministers
Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Rev. Horra Smith
and seconded by ~~Rev~~ Gordon Neal to allow
\$15.00 each for 5 delegates to go to National
Motion Carried

Treasurer's report was read by Joyce Browning
Motion was made by Rev. Horra Smith
to adjourn business until 1:30 this afternoon
motion Carried. Rev. Dewey Merritt played the
dismal ball player.

Morning Service

Morning worship services were opened by singing
"There shall be Showers of Blessing" Kneel at
the Cross" and "The Way of the Cross leads home
Prayer By Rev. W. P. Burton
Song "Mansion Over the Hilltop By the Rev.
Carl Williams".

Morning message was delivered by
 Rev. Wallace Malone, Reading Joshua 14 -
 "Long Power In The Blood." Committal prayer
 by Rev. Aron Kersh

Afternoon Session

afternoon services were opened by singing
 "Since Jesus came into my heart" Prayer
 by Rev. Everett Beatty. Jane Vaughn sang
 "all I need is Jesus". Rev. George Waggoner
 read the Scripture, Col. 16-18.

The Pulpit Committee reports Rev. J. E.
 Abel afternoon services, Rev. Aron Kersh
 Sunday morning and Rev. Byford Campbell
 evening services. Motion made by Rev.
 John Willibald and seconded by Rev.
 W. R. Burton that we accept the report
 and release the committee. Motion carried.

We, The Business Committee, recommend
 that this yearly meeting appoint a board
 of three trustees. Motion made by
 Rev. W. R. Burton and seconded by Rev. Jack
 Kitterman. Motion carried.

Rev. Everett Beatty, Rev. D. C. McClure, and
 Rev. Paul Barnfield were nominated to serve
 as trustees. Nominations closed. Each
 duly elected.

We, The Business Committee, recommend
 that this yearly meeting, Discipline, any
 or all ministers, even to the extent to call
 in their papers, that allow or permit or
 support, the pulling of our churches out
 of our quarterly meeting or denomination's
 Committee. Rev. W. R. Burton. Deacon Earl
 Williard, Rev. D. C. McClure.

We, The Business Committee, recommend
 that this yearly meeting adopt the "Rules
 and regulations to govern our incoming
 Ministers" which are,

That I

Teach other than our articles of faith.

II
That fail to hold to the enterprises of Free
will Baptist Each Day.

III
That fail to tithe as God prospers them.

IV
That each minister be either a pastor
or assistant pastor for one (1) year
before being ordained.

(5) Committee, Rev. G. E. Abel. Rev. Paul Barn-
field. And Rev. Carl Williams.

Rev. Carl Williams made a report on
the Sunday School Alliance.

We, the Auditing Committee have
duly examined the treasurer's books
and found them correct with \$153.14
on hand. B) Committee Gordon Neal,
Mrs. Freda Mc Clary, Carl Gent. Motion
was made by Rev. Hosea Smith and
seconded by Rev. Wallace Malone that
report be accepted and the Committee
be released. Motion Carried.

Bis. Earl Adcock, Bro. Henry Bushkool, Bro. Robert
Seaco, Bro. Tracy Adcock, Sis. Elene Wagner
Ellamae Hiltibidol, Nellie Williams and
Virginia Bushkool, were nominated as
Delegates to the National Assn. Motion was
made by Rev. Oran Kersh and seconded
by Rev. Hosea Smith that nomination
cease and proceed to elect by acclamation.
Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Rev. W. B. Burton
and seconded by Rev. G. E. Abel that a standing
vote of thanks be given the ladies and
people of the various Churches who
helped serve the meals during the
yearly conference. Motion Carried and

vote of thanks given.

The next yearly Conference will meet in the Freedom County quarterly on wednesday night before the second Sunday in June.

Rev. Leon McBride, Rev. Bulin Scarborough and Bro. Refel Jones were nominated to serve on the program committee to plan the program for next yearly Conference.

Motion was made by Rev. Carl Williams and seconded by Rev. W. C. McCleuren that nomination cease and proceed to elect by acclamation. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Rev. W. R. Burtson and seconded by Rev. Leon McBride that Rev. George Waggoner be elected as moderator and Rev. W. C. McCleuren asst' moderator.

Nominations closed and both duly elected.

Motion was made by Rev. Eugene Norris that Freda McClaskey be re-elected as clerk. Nomination closed. Duly elected.

Rev. Wallace Malone nominated Shirley McCleuren as treasure. Motion Carried.

Rev. Carl Williams gave a talk on "what is the Free will Baptist on League."

Motion was made by Rev. John Hiltibidal and seconded by Rev. Gran Kersh that we adjourn business. Motion Carried.

Song "Onward Christian Soldiers"

Offering 23, 24.

Rev. J. E. Abel brought the memorial service. Scripture Matthew 26. Song "Bless be the Tie" Dismissal Prayer by Rev. Paul Sulcer.

Rev. Willie Huffman, moderator
Rev. George Waggoner asst' moderator
Mrs. Freda McClaskey, clerk