

The Forty Third Annual Session of the
Southern Illinois Free Will Baptist Yearly
Conference Convened at the Tabernacle in
Benton, Illinois June 15th & 16th 1962
Fri night 7:30 P.M.

Service was opened by Congregation
singing the theme song "Seeking the Lost".
Followed in prayer by Bro. Arthur Jones.

Welcome by Bro. George Ritter - Assistant Moderator
Meditation: "The Church Reaches Out Manifesting
Gods Power" by Bro. Dwight Dams using a
part of Matthew 16th Chapter for his remarks.

Association Called to Order by Assistant
Moderator, Rev George Ritter. Bro Ritter stated
that the Clerk received a letter stating the
resignation of our Moderator O.C. McCleshen.
Motion then made and seconded we
accept his resignation. Carried.

Election of Moderator - Rev Dwight
Dams Nominated. Motion made we declare
nominations closed and elect by acclamation,
seconded and Carried.

Special music by Choir composed of
the various churches singing "To The Work",
"What If It Were Today", "Christ Reclaimeth
Sinful Men", "Wonderful Grace of Jesus"
and "If Jesus Goes With Me".

* The Arnold View Quartet then sang
"Because of Thee" and "In Times Like These".

Message by Bro. George Waggoner
using the theme "The Church Reaches
Out To Evangelize and Christianize".
This was a wonderful message.

Benediction by Bro. Byford Campbell.

Sat. Morning 9:30 A.M. June 16th
Conference opened by singing "Since Jesus
Came Into My Heart", "This Way With Thee" and
"I Am Resolved".

Credentials Committee then appointed by

Chair. Those selected were Bro. Cecil Walker, Arthur Jones and Claude Hamplman.

Meditation. The Church Reached Out through the denomination by Bro. Everett Beatty using ^{a part of} Acts 8 for the scripture. after a few remarks, the meditation was closed with prayer by Bro. Beatty.

Minutes of previous Conference was then read by the Clerk. They were approved as read.

Letters of South Central and Northern quarters were then read. ~~motion and second were~~ ^{motion and second were} ~~accepted~~ ^{accepted} ~~as read~~ ^{as read} ~~and carried~~ ^{and carried}.

Treasurer's report was then given by Sis. Betty Hamplman.

June 17, 1961	amount of cash in Bank	43.61
June 17, 1961	Dues South Central 2. M.	75.00
June 17, 1961	Dues Northern 2. M.	22.50
	Balance —	<u>141.11</u>

Paid out:

June 19, 1961	Dues Ill. State. Assoc. (5.00 for 13 churches)	\$65.00
June 19, 1961	Jess Boswell Clerk	25.00
June 19, 1961	Betty Hamplman Treasurer	25.00
June 19, 1961	Betty Hamplman expenses	5.00
	Total paid out	<u>120.00</u>

Balance left in treasure \$21.11

~~Motion and second were accepted~~ Carried a short talk on Working Together "The Church Reaches out" by Bro. George Waggoner.

Bro George Ritter gave a talk on Working Together; using the Youth Camp Reaches Out. Bro Claude Hamplman then followed up with "The School Reaches Out."

Business Committee appointed by Chair: Leon Mc Bide, Clyde Guller, & Everett Beatty

Report of the Official Board given by Bro Ritter (Chairman) concerning the nullifying of our Charter. Nothing has been done as yet. Our moderator (A.C. McCleskey) had resigned and no one legally qualified to do

this.

Credentials Committee report given by Bro. Claude Hampelman:

"The Northern Quarterly lists 6 ordained ministers, 5 licenced ministers and 7 deacons, all in good standing, however the names are not listed. The rest appears to be in order and we commend them for having compiled each church letter into one report.

We the Credentials Committee have examined the letters of churches in Southern Ill. yearly Conference and find irregularities as to form and listings called for. Mt Olive Church, of the Southern Ill. Yearly, did not list names of ministers, deacons and deceased. We commend the Southern Ill. Yearly Clerk for compiling all letters into one report. We recommend that reports be accepted as read. Signed Committee: Claude Hampelman, Cecil Walker and G. R. Jones.

Motion made to ~~sent delegates~~ accept report and seat delegates. Motion seconded and Carried.

Motion made we accept the report of George Waggoner as information. Seconded & Carried.

Motion to accept report of Bro. Ritter as information. Seconded and Carried.

Motion to accept report of Bro Hampelman as information. Seconded and Carried.

Motion to accept report of treasurer as information. Seconded and Carried.

The Nominating Committee was then selected from the floor. Those nominated were: Sis Roberta Bain, Bro Jack Ketteman and Sis ~~Yalta~~ ^{Yalta} Cook. Motion made we close nominations and proceed to elect by acclamation. Motion 2nd & Carried.

Chair then appointed the auditing Committee. Those appointed were: Bro T. E. Bain.

Bro Drennan and Bro Wagner.

Closed business for to give way for 11:00
Clock Message. Benediction by Bro. Hame.
11:00 A.M.

Service opened by singing "There Shall Be
Showers of Blessing" "Ready" "No Not One" and
"We'll Work Till Jesus Comes" followed in
prayer by Bro. Terry.

Committee on Necrology then appointed:
Bill Blackburn, Bro Thorndike and
Sharon Mc Clurran.

Message by Bro. Leon McBride.
Using for his message the scripture found
in Isaiah 54:2 which also was a part of
the theme "Reaching Out" using "Enlarge
the place of thy Tent" for a subject
Bro McBride brought a wonderful message
closing it with prayer.

Dismissed until 1:30 P.M. Benediction and
blessing on food offered by Bro Clyde Hulley
1:30 P.M.

Services opened by Congregation singing:
"In The Service of The King" and "Higher Ground"
Music by Johnston City district singing
"Where We'll Never Grow Old."

Bro. George Rittler gave the meditation
"The Church reaches out through fellowships"
using for his scripture John 1:6-7

Prayer - Sis Betty Hamplman
Special by Sarah Lynn Blades
"We'll There Be Any Stars in my Crown"

Report of Auditing Committee
given. "The the auditing Committee have
examined the treasurers report and found
it correct. Signed Committee: D. E.

Drennan, Isaac Wagner and T. E. Baine
motion made we accept report - seconded & carried
~~Announcements for next meeting were~~

Report of Nominating Committee
then given: The recommend Moderator

Claude Hamplemaw - Assistant Moderator
 Dwight Clame; Clerk, Irene Sullivan and
 Treasurer - Betty Hamplemaw. Signed Committee
 Jack Kellman, Vaulia Cook and Roberta
 Brine.

Nomination for Mod. Claude Hamplemaw
 Motion Made Nominations Cease & elect by
 acclamation. Seconded & Carried.

Asst Moderator - Dwight Clame
 Motion Made Nominations Cease & elect by
 acclamation. Seconded & Carried.

Treasurer - Betty Hamplemaw
 Motion Made Nominations Cease & elect by
 acclamation. Seconded & Carried.

Clerk - Irene Sullivan
 Motion Made Nominations Cease & elect by
 acclamation. Seconded & Carried.

- Report by Chairman of Necrology Committee:
- 1 Harmony 5 - Helen Everhart, Myrtle Lappin, Bessie
 Dawne, John Hafford & Miss Collins
 - 2 Arnold View 4 - Sis Dorothy Parks, Bro Tom Shipman,
 Rev. J.O. Truelstead and J.T. Bunker
 - 3 Union 1 - Jennie Moeley
 - 4 Ina 1 - Sis Lillie Williams
 - 5 Wshbo Prairie 2 - Lee Button, Opal Waggoner
 - 6 Johnston City 5 - Mrs Wallace Wells, Merrice
 Schwarm, James Bauden, Logan Fields and
 Charlie Grant.
 - 7 Mt Olive 2 - Sharon Melvin and Arlie E. Lam.

We the Memorial Committee recommend
 that the above deceased members of the Southern
 Ill. Yearly Conference be remembered in silent
 prayer and meditation. Signed: Sharon
 Mc Clarren, Herbert C. Tharn Dyke and
 William Blackburn.

Motion made by Bill Blackburn and
 seconded by Bro. John Holmes that we accept
 this recommendation - Carried.

A moment of silent meditation followed.

with prayer by Bro. Geo. Waggoner was given for the deceased.

Bro. Ritter was appointed by the Chair to fill the vacancy on the Business Committee. He filled vacancy of Bro. Clyde Dullea who had to leave.

Delegates to State Association were then appointed.

Motion made to send the following delegates from the Southern Illinois Yearly Conference to the Illinois State Association of Free Will Baptists which convened at Benton, Illinois June 22 & 23, 1962. Motion seconded and carried. Those appointed were:

- Roberta Bain - Webb's Prairie
- Garson Brennan - New Hope
- T. E. Baine - Harmony
- Pita Ryan - Union Grove
- Sharon McClarren - Union
- Dick Roberts - Arnold View
- Mrs. Gertie Lawrence - Johnston City
- Herbert Thorndyke - Mt. Olive
- Vivian Sullivan - Plaster Grove
- Marie Williams - Ina
- Irene Hall - Des Plaines
- Sharon Hamilton - Liberty
- Bessie Elliott - St. Charles

Business Committee report then given by Bro. Ritter

Motion we receive this report and act on it, item by item. Seconded and carried.

Item #1 We the Business Committee, having read the proposed by-laws and Constitution recommend that they be adopted this date.

Motion made by Leon McBride that we adopt this item. Seconded and carried.

Item #2 We recommend that every pastor, deacon and delegate urge the young people of their churches to attend the

National Youth Rally July 9-12

Motion made by Bill Blackburn that we adopt this item. Seconded by Bro. Baine and Carried.

Item # 3. We recommend that the Churches encourage and help their pastors to attend the National Association July 10-12

Motion made we adopt this item. Seconded and Carried.

Reading of Proposed By laws & Constitution by Bro. George Ritter.

Motion we adopt proposed Constitution and by laws as read. Seconded and Carried.

Motion we elect business and Credentials Committee from the floor. Seconded and Carried.

Nomination for 3 year term business Committee member. Nomination on Bro. Leon Mc Bride; 2nd year term nomination on Bro. George Ritter and 1 year term on Bro. Cecil Walker.

Motion made we proceed to elect these 2 men on business Committee by acclamation. Seconded and Carried.

Credentials Committee:

3 year term Nominee Everett Beatty

2 year term Nominee Byford Campbell

1 year term Nominee James Coulson

Motion made we proceed to elect these 3 men as submitted. Seconded and Carried.

3 on program Committee selected from floor. Those appointed are: Gary Perry; Dwight Lane and C. J. Ketterman

Motion made we proceed to elect by acclamation. Seconded and Carried.

Moderator then thanked the Conference for the Churches which did the serving.

Motion made we adjourn until next Yearly Session in 1963. Seconded and Carried.

Dismissal prayer by Bro. George Ritter.

Moderator: Kenneth Lane
Associate Moderator: George Ritter
Clerk: Irene Sullivan

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