

The Forty-seventh Annual Session of the Southern Illinois Free Will Baptists Yearly Conference Commenced at the S. S. Alliance and Youth Tabernacle in Benton, Illinois June 17-18 1966

Friday Night 7:30 P.M.

Services opened by ^{Congregational} singing and prayer. In the absence of both the Moderator and Assistant Moderators, Bro James Coulson was selected Moderator Pro-tem for the Friday night service.

Bro. Coulson then turned the services over to Bro. Leon McBride who was selected to bring the message. Bro McBride used for his scripture Luke 1:13-17. This was a spiritual message.

Dismissed in prayer by Bro. C. J. Ketteman
Saturday June 18, 9:30 A.M.

Service was called to order by Clerk in the absence of Moderator and assistant. We sang "There Is Power In The Blood."

Prayer by Bro. Cecil Walker. The Clerk then asked for Nominations for Moderator. Nominations placed on Bro. George Ritter. He then had a motion and second that nominations close and we proceed to elect by acclamation. Vote taken and carried. Bro. Ritter duly elected. Bro. Ritter then took charge of the service and read for the devotional lesson, Romans 1:16-17. After which he made a few remarks and closed by prayer.

Minutes of last Yearly were read by the Clerk. There was a small objection as the word "delegates" had been used instead of the word "Officers" in the Nominating Committee report. Correction was made and minutes accepted as corrected.

Vacancies on business Committee

were then filled. Bro. Cecil Walker appointed to fill Vacancy of Bro. Geo. Ritter as Bro. Ritter was serving as Moderator. Bro. Bob Lauer appointed to fill the Vacancy of Bro. Elmer Durnbaugh, who had moved away. This was a Vacancy to be filled by election today.

Bro. Charles A. Charn was placed on the Credentials Committee to fill a Vacancy.

Yearly meeting letters were then read by the Clerk. Motion was then made we accept letters and send delegates. Motion seconded and carried.

Auditing Committee was then selected. Those selected were: Roberts Bain, Dixon Roberts and Geraldine Lewis.

Nominating Committee selected were: Arthur Jones, Ivan Ryan and Clarence Callie.

Memorial Committee selected were: Fannie Taylor, Thelma Legendre, Aubrey Kach.

Moderator then spoke to us about some business matters from last year. ~~Items~~ ^{Items} #1 and #IV were mentioned.

Motion was then made we remove Item #1 from table and act upon it. Motion seconded and carried. ~~Item #1 removed from table~~: Item #1 - "We the business Committee recommend that ~~the~~ ^{in the future}

Item #1 removed from table. Item #1. "Recommend Article 8 of Constitution to read "Convene on 2nd Friday night of June instead of 3rd Friday night."

Motion made we accept this move. Motion seconded and carried.

Motion then made to move Item #4 from the table. Motion seconded and carried.

Item # 4 "This Yearly Conference shall convene in the even numbered years at the Sunday School Alliance Tabernacle and upon request, of the Northern Quarterly in the odd numbered years." Signed Committee: Leon Mc Bride; W. T. Purnbaugh, and George E. Ritter

Motion then made we accept this move. Motion seconded and carried.

Bro. Charles Oshorn then requested that we meet with the Des Plaines Church in June 1967.

Motion then made we accept the request of Bro. Oshorn to meet with the Des Plaines Church, next year. Motion seconded and carried.

Dismissed for a brief recess before 11:00 o'clock hour. Ministerial prayer by Bro. C. A. Curry.

11:50 A.M. Service

Service opened by singing "I Am Thine O Lord". We then stood for prayer offered by Bro. C. J. Ketteman. Congregation then sang "Stepping In The Light" and "Come and Dine" followed in prayer by Bro. Gene Barton. Moderator then turned the services to the speaker of the hour, Bro. Charles Oshorn. He used for Scripture reading & exhortation 8:8-10. This was a wonderful spirit-filled message. We then stood and sang "Amazing Grace" and had an handshake. Dismissed until 1:15 P.M. Ministerial prayer by Bro. Arthur Jones.

1:15 P.M.

Service called to order by moderator. Congregation sang "Jesus Saves" followed in prayer by Sis. Blanche Horn.

Devotional by Bro. Cecil Walker. Prov. 22:1-12 was scripture used. These were very good thoughts about a good name.

especially the name "Christian"

Our State Promotional Secretary, Bro George Waggoner then gave a report about our work. These reports were entered for information.

Yearly Treasurer's report was then given by Sis. Mable Kettnerman. Report as follows:

Southern Ill. Yearly Conference Report

Mable Kettnerman - Treasurer:

Receipts:

June 1, 1965	Balance brought forward	\$11.11
June 3, 1965	Dues South Central Quarterly Meeting 8 churches	\$80.00
June 3, 1965	Dues Northern Quarterly Meeting 9 churches	\$90.00
	Total	\$181.11

Paid Out:

June 19, 1965	Ill. State Assoc. of A.W. Bapt.	\$85.00
June 19, 1965	Irene Sullivan, Clerk fee	\$25.00
June 19, 1965	Betty Nepleman Treas. fee	\$25.00
June 19, 1965	Ill. State Association for printing Minutes	\$15.00
June 19, 1965	Bob Lawe Programs, phone calls etc.	\$11.00
June 19, 1965	S. S. Alliance, use of building	\$10.00
	Total	\$171.00

This leaves a balance in treasury of \$10.11

Auditing Committee then gave report. Report as follows: "We the Auditing Committee find the treasurer's books in order and correct. Signed Committee: Roberta Baine, Elipson Roberts and Geraldine Lewis.

Motion was then made we receive report as given. Motion seconded and carried.

Memorial Committee reported as follows: "We the Memorial Committee ~~recommend a~~ moment of prayer in memory of Brothers and Sisters in Christ who have passed away the last year. Those deceased from the South Central Quarterly were: Rev. H. R. Spurlock, Bro Clyde Adams, Sis. Bertie Fitzgerald, Sis Lulu Paul, and Sis. Margaret Parker.

From Northern Quarterly:

Sis. Doris Collins.

Signed Committee: Mrs Thelma Legendre, Mrs Audrey Kach and Mrs Nannie Taylor.
 Motion made we accept report and grant requests. Motion seconded and Carried. We then stood for silent meditation ending in prayer by Bro. George Waggoner.

Business Committee reports.
 "We the Business Committee recommends the following items be added to our By-Laws:

Item #1 A three-member Board of Trustees shall be elected in such manner that the term of one member expire each year and each new election shall be for three years. They shall perform the usual duties of trustees and serve on the Executive Committee.

Item #2 The officers of this Association along with the trustees, shall constitute and Executive Committee to act for the Association when it is not in session such action being subject to the approval of the Association.

Item #3 The place of each meeting in the Northern Conference Area be determined by the body while in session the previous year. This Item being added to Article ~~IV~~ and Article #16 to be changed to #18." Signed Committee:

Bob Larr, Cecil Walker and Leon Mc Bride.

Motion made that items be tabled until next year with item #1 be #16, Item #2 be #17 and Item #3 had a change to be added to #15 and Article #16 be changed to #18 if items 1 and 2 are adopted.

Motion seconded and Carried.

Credential Committee reports:

"We the Credentials Committee recommend the reports of the ministers be granted a

Card of good standing, except Bro. John Critchett who is not a member of our State Association but upon his uniting with our Association be granted a card of good standing. Signed Committee: James Carlson, C. J. Kettman and Charles Osborn.

Motion made we adopt report. Motion was then made an amendment be made that the names of Bro. Dwight Dorne and Henry E. Taylor be handed to the State Association along with the one from the Northern Quarterly. Motion seconded and Carried.

Motion made that we give \$15.00 to the State Association for printing of minutes and \$10.00 for use of building. Motion seconded and Carried.

Delegates for the State Association were then appointed. Those appointed were:

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| 1 Darlene Zimmerman | 10 Alura Sink |
| 2 Audrey Kach | 11 Phelma Legg Legendre |
| 3 Jody Kent | 12 Mable Kettman |
| 4 Jean Beatty | 13 Sid Tweedy |
| 5 Joyce Walker | 14 Gladys Fowler |
| 6 Mae Sullivan | 15 Bobby Andrezzi |
| 7 Roberta Bain | 16 Mina Bawden |
| 8 Elison Roberts | 17 Reba Williams |
| 9 Jean Roberts | 18 Nannie Taylor |

Motion made that ^{the name} nominations cease and we proceed to elect by acclamation. Motion seconded and Carried.

Nominating Committee reports:

"We the nominating Committee recommend Bro. George E. Ritter for Moderator and Bro. Everett Beatty for Assistant Moderator.

We recommend Bro. Cecil Walker for the business Committee

We recommend Bro. James Carlson for the Credential Committee

For the program Committee we recommend Bro. Jim Walker, Bro. Charles Osborn & Bro. George

Ritter

We recommend Sis. Irene Sullivan for Clerk

We recommend Sis. Mable Ketteman for treasurer. Signed Committee: Duane Ryan, Clarence Collier and Arthur Jones.

Moderator then asked if there were any other nominations for Moderator from the floor

Motion made that nominations cease and we proceed to elect by acclamation. Motion seconded & carried. Brother Ritter duly elected.

Motion then made that all nominations cease and we proceed to elect by acclamation all those recommended by Nominating Committee. Motion seconded and carried. All other nominees duly elected.

Motion made that Ina Birk Bowl and Johnston City Tie-In-Ine represent us at the State Association. Motion seconded and carried.

Motion was then made to adjourn until next Yearly Conference to be held at the des Plaines, Ill. Church beginning the 2nd Friday night in June 1969.

Motion Carried. We were then dismissed by prayer.

Moderator - George E. Ritter
Clerk - Irene Sullivan

Business Comm:

Cecil Walker - 1969
Leon Mc Bride - 1968
George Ritter - 1967

Credentials Comm:

James Carlson - 1969
George Ketteman - 1968
Claude Humpherson - 1967