No. 2 Quarterly Meeting of the Southern Association of Free Will Baptists

Minutes of the meeting held at Taft Free Will Baptist Church February 8 & 9, 1963.

FRIDAY NIGHT Feb. 8. 1963

Congregational Singing: Led by Guy Mc Guire-- "Wonderful Words of life" -- "At Calvary".

The assistant moderator, Lonnie Mc Alister, welcomed the delegation.

Congregational singing: "He's A Wonderful Savior to Me".

Scripture reading and prayer was given by Arville Nelson, who read from the 74 th. Psalm. vs. 5 & 6.

Congregational singing: "Does Jesus Care".

Special singing: Glen, Wanda and Gary Williams sang "Sorry I never Knew You". The Williams and the Condits sang "Every Hour and Every Day". Brother and sister Mc Alister and sis. Roister sang "Love is Why".

Message: The evening message was delivered by E.B. Condit who used scripture from the 1 st. Chapter of Phillipians, vs. 20-21, used as a text, "Christ Magnified by Life and Death".

An offering for the Luther Sanders family, missionaries in Hawaai was received and \$12.27 was collected, as the congrgation sang "Amazing Grace".

Benediction: E.E. Morris.

SATURDAY MORNING February 9, 1963

Congregational singing: Led by Sister Thurman, "Draw Me Nearer" "Stand Up For Jesus"

Prayer: By Rufus Johns.

Scripture reading and prayer was given by Thurman Cloud who read from the 91 st. Psalm.

The church letters were read, and after some changes on the Shafter, Wasco and Arvin letters they were accepted.

The delegates were welcomed and seated as the congregation sang " I Am Resolved".

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A petitionary letter from the newly organized Maricopa Church was read followed by a motion to accept them into full fellow-ship of the Quarterly Meeting. The motion carried.

A motion carried that the chairman be empowered to appoint the pulpit committee. They were appointed as follows: Lonnie Mc Alister, Chairman, Fred Session, and Bro. Bennett. The committee was then excused to select a minister to preach the morning message.

All visiting brethren were welcomed to the meeting. Winston Lawless, the state promotional secretary, was present. Gene Shaw, a minister, was also visiting.

The minutes of the November meeting were read and approved as read.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted as read. The balance given was \$ 447.17.

Appointment of committees: The following committees were appointed by the chairment.

RESOLUTION: Clinton Wood, C.D. Hilburn, Mildred Eagle, Bro. Shelton, and Dixie Young.

OBITUARY: Sis. Browning, Margie Shey, Sis. Cadwallader, Merlin Imoe, L.B. Blair, Sis. Peterson, Sis. McCullough, Sis. Fowler, and Sis. Cotton.

Winston Lawless spoke on the progress of the State work, new churches, new association in the north west., and the bible college.

A recess was called and we were dismissed in prayer by W.B. Boland.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Congregational singing: Led, by Clinton Wood. "Let Him Have His Way With Thee", "Deepr. Deeper", and "He Leadeth Me".

Special Singing: "Teach Me Lord to Wait" by Clinton Wood. The Roister family sang "I Saw a Man".

Prayer: By Harold Talley

Message by Don Farris who spoke on "Cause for Worry" and used scripture from John 16, vs. 26-33.

Benediction: Guy Mc Guire.

Lunch was served by the Taft church women at the Fort in Taft.

Congregational singing wasled by Gene Shaw singing "I'll Be Satisfied", and "Beyond the Sunset".

Scripture reading and prayer was given by Leo Pergson who used the 10 th. Chapter of Hebrews, vs. 19-25.

Special singing: Gene Shaw sang "It's an unfriendly World to Me"

- EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT No. 1 The executive board report no. 1, giving are port of the organizational meeting of the Maricopa church was accepted. The church was organized by the board February 5, 1963.
- OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT no. 1 The report was given listing the deceased from churches in this quarterly meeting as being; Bro. Jackson and Bro. Delameter from Shafter. G.B. Harbor, Bakersfield. Ed Maddox, Taft. Sis. Allie Carter, Lamont.

The congregation stood in a moment of silent prayer in memory of the deceased followed by prayer by Arville Nelson.

- PROGRAM COMMITTEE: A program committee for the coming year was elected. They are Winna Mc Guire, Clinton Wood and W.B. Boland
- EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER: A member of the executive board was elected whose term expires in 1968. Don Farris was elected.
- RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORTS: The resolution committee reports no. 1 and 2 were read. A motion carried to put them both on the floor for discussion. No.1 was voted on but did not pass. No. 2 was held over until later in the meeting.
- ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The officers for the coming year were elected, and are: Moderator, Harold Talley, Assistant Moderator, C. Wood, Clerk, J.O. Groves, Assistant Clerk-Treasurer, Wanda Williams, and Sunday School Representative Fred Session.

 Members of the business and finance committee are Wanda Williams, Chairman, C.D. Hilburn, Bro. English, Arville Nelson, and Leo Pergson.

Winston Lawless spoke on the california paper, its distribution and mailing problems. He also gave a report on the book store and the opportunity of purchasing another store, which is larger than the present location.

The sunday school representative, Fred Session, gave his report. The Bakersfield church received th pennant for the best quarterly attendance, and the South Union Avenue Church received the trophy for the best annual increase.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS: (All were approved by the delegation).

- No. 2 Recommending C.D. Hilburn's minister's license be renewed for one year.
- No. 3. Recommended that Dick Gardener's minister's licence be renewed for one year.
- No. 4. Recommended that Roy Peterson be ordained as a deacon at the convenience of the Lamont Church.
- No. 5. Recommended that Thurman Cloud be ordained as a minister at the convenience of the Maricopa church.

BUSINESS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: (Approved by the delegation).

A motion carried to accept the business and finance committee's financial plan for the coming year as follows:

- 1. Dues, \$1.00 per member according to number reported on the August letter.
- 2. Pay host church \$50.00 per quarterly meeting.
- 3. Pay Clerk \$10.00 per meeting.
- 4. Pay Assistant Clerk-Treasurer \$5.00 per meeting.
- Reimburse the executive board for expenses incurred due to necessary work between quarterly meetings for actual costs of necessary phone calls, and milage at a rate of six cents per mile traveled.
- 6. Reimburse the program committee for expenses incurred in printing the programs.
- 7. Take \$37.73 from thee treasury to make up the Sanders family offering to \$20x00x \$50.00.

MEETING PLACES:

The meeting places for the coming year were set as follows:

August 10, 1963 at Wasco Church. Movember 9, 1963 at Bakersfield. February 8, 1964 at Lamont.

DELEGATES TO THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION:

Delegates were appointed from the delegation to the Southern Association meeting in May 1963. They are: Arvin: Sis. Pierce, Delma Foshee, and Berta Mc Cullough. Bakersfield: L.B. Blair, Mike Rigdon, and Shirley Weese. Shafter: Sis. Fowler, Sis. Beam, and Mildred Eagle. Wasco: Bro. English, Sis. Cluck, and Sis. Jared. Taft: Eva Bonner, Margie Schey, and Dixie Young. Santa Maria: Bro. Cadwallader, Sis. Cadwallader, Bro. Waddel.

Delano: Dovie Blair, Oleta Stewart, and C.D. Hilburn. So. Union: Merlin Imoe, Bertha Hilburn, and Sis. Whitworth. Lamont: Bro. Shelton, and Sis. Ewing. Carmel: Dick Gardner, Arlene Gardner, and Sis. Haworth. Maricopa: Sis. Maddox, Sis. Cotton. and Sis. Ackles.

YOUTH CAMP COMMITTEE REPORT. The report was given by Lonnie Ma Alister.. It will be June 17, 1963 at Heartland Park.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2. was read and carried., stating that we stand to give the host church a vote of thanks for their hospitality.

James O. Groves, Clerk.

A Motion carried to adjourn, followed by the benediction.

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Minutes of the No. 2 Quarterly Meeting of the Southern Association of Free Will Baptists.

Held at Wasco Free Will Baptist Church, August 9 & 10, 1963.

FRIDAY NIGHT, August 9, 1963.

The meeting was opened by congregational singing led by E.B. Condit singing "Standing on the Promises".

Prayer was led by Lonnie Mc Alister followed by congrgational singing "Victory in Jesus" and BBlessed Assurance".

Prayer was led by Genoma Watts followed by congrgational singing "Send the Light".

An offering was taken for the Luther Sanders family in Hawaai and \$18.30 was given.

Brother and Sister Condit sang a duet "I Need no Mansion Here"

The evening message was delivered by Bro. Wiley Gregory, Pastor of the Arvin Free Will Baptist Church who used scripture from I Cor. 3 rd. Chapter verses 1-9 and whose text was "Building for God".

The message was followed by the benediction by Bro. Orville Thurman.

SATURDAY, August 10, 1963.

The meeting was opened by congregational singing led by Bro. Jay Wilson singing "On Calvary" and "He Loves Me".

Bro. O.V. White krdxxxxxxx read scripture and gave a short devotional, followed by prayer by Bro. Condit.

The welcome was given to the congregation by Bro. Joe Cluck, who also read from Psalms 133. The response was given by Bro. Armstrong.

The church letters were read and accepted as read. No letter was presented from the Arvin church and an oral report was accepted to be followed by a letter later. A motion carried to seat the delegation with the addition of W.B. Boland's name as an ordained minister on the Lamont letter. The hand of fellowship was given to the delegation chairmen by the moderator as the congregation sang, "I feel like Traveling On".

The puppit committee was selected. They were: Harold Story, Chairman. Della White and Jess Cowan.

Bro. Harold Talley stated that he was moving from this area and resigned as moderator. Bro. Jay Wilson was elected as the new moderator.

The pulpit committee report was given stating that Bro. Don Farris was to preach the morning message.

Committees were appointed as follows:

Obituary Resolution

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Sis. Jared Bro. Fowler, Chair.

Sis. Cowan
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Sis. Garrett
Bro. Joe Cluck
Bro. Blair
Johnie Teters
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Bro. Wiley Gregory was elected to fill the vacancy on the business and finance committee. Bro. English has moved.

One member of the executive board had moved out of the state and Bro. Wiley Gregory was elected to serve the remainder of Bro. Morris's term.

A motion carried to recess until 1:30 PM.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Congregational singing was led by Bro. Condit singing "Come Unto Me" and "I Love to Tell the Story".

Prayer was led by Bro. H.H. Easterwood followed by congregational singing of "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

Bro. Joe Cluck sang a solo "Jesus Passed By".

Sisters Brown and Ackles sang "The Hem of His Garment".

The message was delivered by Bro. Don Farris who used the text "Knowledge Shall be increased" and used scripture from the 12 th. Chapter of Daniel versex 1.

Benediction was given by Thurman Cloud who also asked the blessing on the noonday meal. Lunch was served by the host church at Potomac Park in Wasco.

1:30 PM BUSINESS MEETING.

The meeting was opened by congregational singing led by Sister Willa Mae Amos singing "Glad Reunion Day" and "Living by Faith".

Prayer was led by Bro. Armstrong.

The visiting brethren were welcomed by the moderator.

The minutes of the last quarterly meeting were read and approved as read.

The "BY-LAWS" were read by the moderator.

Old business was called for and none was presented.

New business was called for. The obituary committee report was read and a moment of silent prayer was given in memory of the deceased followed by prayer by Sis. Reba Zachery. Thesexwkmxkadx passedxmxxkxingxkkexxingexthextartxmeetingxwere Sis. Atchley of the Bakersfield Church had passed on since the last meeting.

A motion carried to adopt the Resolution committee no. 1 which stated "Be it resolved that each church letter be submitted with an attached list of the churches delegates, said list to be given to the moderator at the beginning of the quarterly meeting."

Bro. Winston Lawless, State Promotional Secretary, spoke on the state work. He said there was a need for more new churches, especially in the Sacramento area, the income was increasing—book store sales were increasing and that a new book store had been purchased in Modesto and is now the only Bible Book Store in Modesto. He also requested more news from the local churches for the "VOICE".

A solo was sung by Sis. Amos who sang "I'm Too Far Out on the Journey".

The resolution committee report No. 2 was adopted by a majority vote of the delegation. It states "Be it resolved that no one person hold more than one office at one time in this quarterly meeting."

The sunday school representative report was given by Fred Session who presented the sunday school banner for this quarter to the Carmel Free Will Baptist Church. The banner was accepted by Bro. C.D. Hilburn the church sunday school superintendent.

The executive board report No. 1 was accepted reading as follows:

We the executive board of the No. 2 quarterly meeting have examined Bro. Orville Wehunt and find him sound in doctrine; however, we do feel that a suitable work of labor be obtained before ordination and upon obtaining such work that is approved by this board ordination would be recommended. In the meantime we recommend the relinensing of Bro. Wehunt for another year.

The board has examined Bro. Bullard and recommend his licensing. Bro. Thurman introduced Bro. Bullard who spoke for a few minutes.

Bro. Wiley Gregory resigned from the Business and Finance committee. Bro. Armstrong was elected in his place.

Bro. E.B. Condit gave a report on the National Association meeting held in July 1963. He stated there was a large attendance -- expressed the need for additional missionaries in Japan -- the Bible college is to expand their curricular -- most boards were increased from 5 to 7 members -- the average per capita offering of the Free Will Baptists last year was \$2.16 -- 31 candidates for missionaries expressed their desire to serve.

Then he discussed the budget quatas for California.

Bro. Lonnie Mc Alister gave a report on the State Association meeting.

A resolution carried to give the host church a standing vote of thanks for their hospitality.

A motion carried to adjourn followed by the benediction by Bro. Winston Lawless.

James O. Groves, Clerk

NO. 2 QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS Minutes Nov. 8 & 9, 1963

(Meeting was held at the Bakersfield Free Will Baptist Church)

Friday, Nov. 8, 1963

The meeting was calleed to order by the moderator J. Wilson followed by the congregation singing the "Doxology" led by Glen Williams. Prayer was led by George Mc Clain.

The congregation then sang the following songs, which were also led by Glen Williams, - "I Am Happy in the Service of the King" - "I Know Whom I Have Believed" and "He Leadeth Me".

Scripture reading was given by Ray Sumpter who read from Phillipians, 2 nd. Chapter, vs. 1-15 which was Tollowed by a prayer by Wiley Gregory.

A testimony service was held and was led by Jess Cowan. This was followed by special singing. Bro. and Sis. E.B. Condit and Glen and Wanda Williams sang "The Old Country Church" and "Stop and Tell Somebody Today".

A prayer was presented by Barney Van Winkle.

The evening message was presented by J.C. Armstrong, pastor of the Lamont, Free Will Baptist Church, who used the book of St. John, 15 th. Chap. vs. 12-13 as his background scripture and spoke on "The Love of Christ".

A missionary offering was taken for the Luther Sanders family, missionaries in Hawaaii and \$18.67 was received. Prayer for blessing of the offering was given by Bro. Shelton.

A pulpit committee was appointed who were Barney Van Winkle, L.B. Blair, and Bro. Ford. They met and elected Bro. George Mc Clain to be the speaker for Saturday morning.

Announcements were made, followed by the benediction by Bro. Mc Cullough.

Saturday Morning November 9, 1963

9:30 AM

The meeting was opened by the moderator J. Wilson followed by congregational singing led by Bro. E.B. Condit. The songs sang "Revive Us Again" and "Blessed Assurance". This was followed by prayer led by Bro. P.E. Lambert, who was visiting here from Oklahoma.

The scripture reading was given by Bro Don Farris who read from I Corinthians Chap 2, vs. 1 and then led the congregation in prayer.

The Welcome was given by Bro. Waddle.

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Alla church letters were read and the following correction was made: Sis, Willa Mae Amos was placed as a delegate instead of Sis. Jarad, who was ill. All delegates were welcomed and seated while the congregation sang "The Lilly of the Valley" led by Bro. E.B. Condit.

A motion carried to allow the moderator to appoint an assistant moderator for this meeting and Bro. Fred Sessionwas appointed.

Allthe visiting brethren were welcomed to the meeting by the moderator. Some of the visitors were Bro. Winston Lawless, the State promotional secretary. Gene Shaw, and P.E. Lambert.

A motion carried to accept the treasurer's report as read showing a balance of \$404.47 in the fund. This was followed by a motion, which carried, to allow the Chairman to appoint all committee members for this meeting. The following committees were appointed:

Resolution Barney Van Winkle, Ch. Tom Smith, Ch. Sis. Hilburn (Eunice) Bro. Roister L.B. Blair Sis. Marshall Sis. Young Sis. Salsbury Sis. Bertha Hilburn

A motion carried to replace Dub Boland on the program committee. Sis. Armstrong was elected in his place.

The minute of the August meeting were read and approved as read.

A report was given by Bro. Winston Lawless, state promotional secretary. Who spoke on various phases of the state work. He stated that there was a new work in the Mt. Shasta area, that the cooperative offerings are good, and encouraged each churches steady support, and he asked everyone to notify him when their addresses are changed so that he could send out the "VOICE" newspaper to them.

Bro. Lawless also stressed the need for pastors in some churches. He mentioned Taft and Porterville. He said there was a great need for a Free will Baptist work in the Sacramento area.

Prayer by Bro. L.C. Johns recessed untill:30 PM.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

The worship service was opened by the congrettion singing "Jesus Saves", "Standing on the Promises", and "Glory to his Name" followed by prayer by Sis. Cotton. During the special singing-Bro. Gene Shaw sang "When they Ring Those Golden Bells foe You and Me" and the Roister family sang "Going Home".

The message was preached by Bro. George Mc Clain. After singing "After The Shadows" as a solo, he read scripture from Galatians 5 th. Chapter and preached on the "Fruits of the Spirit". An invitation to the lost was given at the close of the

sermon as the congregation sang "Just As I Am".

The congregation was dismissed for lunch after the benediction and plessang was asked on the food by Bro. L.B. Blair.

BUSINESS MEETING 1:30 PM

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The congregation sang "Are You Washed in the Blood" and "Amazing Grace" which was led by Bro. Ackles. Then Bro. Ford led in prayer.

During the special singing Sis. Amos and Sis. Ackles sang "I'm Too Far OUT on the Journey".

The BY-LAWS were read by the Moderator.

Business and Finance Committee Report No. 1 - CARRIED.

Which reads: Since the quarterly meeting Sunday School Representative purchased \$72.10 worth of books entitled "Teaching Techniques" for the teachers training course, and only \$25.25 worth was sold; BE IT RESOLVED, that the quarterly feeting pay the additional amount due on the books and retain them to be checked out and used by any of the churches as required for teachers training. (The sunday school representative, Fred Session is to be in charge of the books).

Obituary committee report No. 1 - CARRIED.

It was reported that Bro. John Brown, of the Wasco Church died since our last meeting and we stood in silent prayer followed by an oral prayer by Bro. Gene Shaw.

Resolution Committee Report No. 1 - CARRIED

Be it resolved that we give the host church a standing vote of thanks. This was done at the close of the meeting.

Sunday school representative report

Bro. Fred Session gave his report on the sunday schools. All of them lost in attendance this quarter, but one which was Lamont. They won the attendance banner. Bro. Nelms received the banner for the Lamont church. Bro. Session also stated that twelve persons received the teacher's training certificates after the recent teacher's training course.

Bro. J.C. Armstrong was elected to fill the vacancy left on the executive board by Lonnie Mc Alister, who has moved away. Bro. Armstrong then resigned his position on the business and Finance committee. A motion carried to accept his resignation.

Bro. Wiley Gregory was elected as our representative to for the 1964b Youth Encampment.

Bro. Ackles was then elected to fill the vacancy left on the business and finance committee left by the resignation of Bro. Armstrong.

OLD BUSINESS None presented.

NEW BUSINESS None Presented.

A motion carried to adjourn. This was followed by various announcements and the benediction by Bro. E.B. Condit.

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