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Yearbook

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**MINUTES
of the
THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION**

**of
TENNESSEE**

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

**when convened in
Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church
Kingsport, TN**

**The 1984 session will be held
October 30, 1984
with
Donelson Free Will Baptist Church
Nashville, TN**

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State officers - Kay Hampton, field worker; Gynith Helms, secretary; Arlene Farley, member-at-large.

District officers - Rachel Crawford, Cumberland; Pearl Morgan, Union.

District delegates

Cumberland - Oleda Rudy, Marge Miller, Peggy Clyatt, Cleo Pursell, Beverly Riggs, Rebecca Stewart, Marjorie Workman, Paula Roach, Peggy Outland.

Union - Madge Crain, Mary Francis Stanley, Wanda Smith, Zula Wolfenbarger, Katherine Jennings, Betty Hall, Edna Lee, Neda Ellison, Iva Lee McMillan.

Local auxiliary presidents - Debbie Mitchell, Limestone; Lorene Miley, Cofers Chapel; Alice Woolsey, Harris Memorial; Sue Boyd, Ashland City.

Local auxiliary delegates - Winona Riggs, Florence Parham, Magel Winters, Sue Looper, Gusta Walker, Doris Raper, Edith Moody, Gladys Haney, Nannie Smith, Anna Lee Griffie, Margaret Miller, Linda Pruett, Billie Sexton.

Missionaries - Dawn Sweeney, Ivory Coast; Tom and Patty McCullough, France.

Visitors - Ellen Carmack, Agnes Frazier, Juanita Floyd, Mildred Kimbrough, Jewell Sweeney, Francis Walker, Bethany Clyatt, and Teresa, Trina, Sue, Melissa, Amy, and Vicki (Children's Home).

TENNESSEE FREE WILL BAPTIST
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION
Thirty-eighth annual session

Theme: "Walking In The Word" Psalm 119:35

8:30 Registration

9:00 Morning Session

The morning session began with the congregation singing We Love The Bible led by Doris Raper. Ellen Carmack led in prayer. The convention was called to order by TWAC Field Worker Kay Hampton, convention chairman. Mrs. Hampton welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Treasurer's report was given by Arlene Farley, member-at-large of the TWAC Executive Committee.

Treasurer's Report

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>
Balance brought forward	\$ 419.57	\$
Banquet	546.00	504.92
Delegate fees	15.00	
Missionary Offering (Gibbs)	292.35	292.35
Printing Minutes for 1982		198.22
Executive Committee expenses		400.86
Postage		8.00
Minute fee 1982	36.00	
Minute fee 1983	62.00	
Membership Dues 1982-1983	1,623.75	1,384.50
Retreat	2,287.25	1,510.86
TWAC Emphasis	33.35	
Secretary/Treasurer		90.00
TOTAL	<u>\$5,315.27</u>	<u>\$ 4,388.79</u>

Balance on hand 10/31/83 \$926.48

Designated Gifts Sent Through TWAC

Bible College (general fund)	\$ 227.00	
Music Department	20.00	
Student Loan Fund	627.00	
Children's Home	630.15	
Co-Laborer	663.30	
Foreign Missions	1,275.38	
State Project (Jerry Gibbs)	2,283.26	(includes 292.35)
Missionary accounts	3,043.11	
Home Missions (general fund)	683.47	
1982project (Fulchers)	456.30	

Missionary accounts	485.30
Hosting National Convention	80.00
National Student Loan Fund	263.00
Pleasant View School	65.00
Pre-Christmas offering	50.00
Provision Closet	92.00
TN State Home Missions (gen'l fund)	193.00
Missionary accounts	1,844.74
Hughes Ellis Land Fund	150.00
Retired Ministers	101.00
WNAC Emphasis	972.67
WNAC dues (1980-81)	10.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS	<u>\$14,215.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Bailey, Treasurer

TWAC field worker's report was given by Kay Hampton.

I thank God for the opportunity I've had this past year to serve as field worker for the Tennessee Woman's Auxiliary Convention. I have visited with many of you in our auxiliaries across the state this year and have made many friends among you. I have been encouraged by all that is being done through our auxiliaries to help our women find their places in the Great Commission. Each time I have visited with one of these auxiliaries I have come away enlightened, encouraged and excited. I always felt I received much more than I gave. I'd like to share some statistics with you to show you how the Lord has blessed me this year. This past year I

- served as TWAC field worker,
- attended two TWAC meetings,
- attended one TWAC retreat,
- attended one TWAC executive committee meeting,
- presided at one TWAC meeting,
- served as district field worker,
- attended one district convention,
- gave TWAC report at one district convention,
- attended one district executive committee meeting,
- attended one district workshop,
- spoke at one district workshop,
- spoke at two local Mother/Daughter banquets,
- spoke at eight local auxiliary meetings,
- attended 19 local auxiliary meetings,
- served as local president,
- presided over four local auxiliary meetings,
- organized one local auxiliary,

attended one National Convention,
made phone calls,
wrote letters,
traveled approximately 1500 miles.

These opportunities to serve have taught me more about Woman's Auxiliary and have challenged me to learn more of God's Word.

This next year we'll be emphasizing study through our auxiliaries, from the national, through the state, districts, and hopefully, on through the local auxiliaries. I'd like to encourage each of you to study God's Word more this year than you have ever done before. Read the Bible through from beginning to end. Read books about the Bible. Make God's Word a vital part of your life. 2 Timothy 3:17 tells us that scripture is given "that the man (woman) of God may be perfect". I challenge you to strive toward this perfection.

I'd also like to encourage you to study Woman's Auxiliary this year. Read through your auxiliary Manual. Learn the five things every auxiliary member should know. Learn how to organize a new auxiliary. Know your local, district, state, and national officers and learn what their jobs are. Find out a bit about Parliamentary procedure. Make Woman's Auxiliary an important part of your life.

Now I'd like to simply say "thank you". Thank you, each and every one of you who has had a part in making this one of the most fulfilling auxiliary years I have ever experienced. I trust the Lord will bless us this year as we endeavor to "labor together with God".

Respectfully submitted,
Kay Hampton, Field Worker

WNAC report was given by Cleo Pursell

To: Tennessee Woman's Auxiliary Convention

God has richly blessed the work of Free Will Baptist women this past year and Tennessee women had a leading part in our success. TWAC was first in gifts to WNAC Emphasis offerings, and third in gifts to the Co-Laborer fund.

Cash gifts to missions, missionary objectives and Bible Colleges, increased almost \$46,000. Non-cash gifts were more than \$51,000 which included \$38,802 in gifts to the missionary provision closet. Total cash and non-cash gifts to missions and Christian education were \$323,777 (a record).

We contributed \$1,000 to a Haitian student at Free Will

Baptist Bible College. Hopefully he will assist our Foreign Missions Department in the establishment of a new work in Haiti.

Our Creative Arts Contests drew 250 entries from 82 women from 19 states. Tennessee had three winners: Karen Polston, Dee Kingsmill, and Mae Fry.

Plans for our third national retreat are nearing completion. It will be held September 6-8, 1984 at Ridgecrest, N.C. (near Asheville) in the heart of the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains.

Prices which include five meals, two nights hotel, and registration fee are \$48.00 per person for a quad, \$55.00 per person for a double, and \$50.50 per person for a triple. A single is \$78.50.

You may begin registering in January, 1984 by writing Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, P.O. Box 128, Ridgecrest, NC 28770. Enclose \$8.00 deposit for each reservation. This will be deducted from your total cost.

In 1985 the National Convention will be coming to Nashville, Tennessee. This will be our Golden Jubilee Celebration.

We will be depending on TWAC, not only for monetary support but also for volunteer workers. I know we can depend on you.

Cleo Pursell, Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Convention Chairman Kay Hampton appointed Gynith Helms and Marge Workman to serve on the Credentials Committee.

9:30 Special Music was provided by Teresa, Trina, Sue, Melissa, Amy, and Vicki from the Tennessee Free Will Baptist Childrens Home in Greeneville. The girls sang Standing On The Solid Rock and Casting All Your Care.

Foreign Missions film entitled "Mightier Than These" was presented. Kay Hampton encouraged everyone to use this filmstrip in the local churches and auxiliaries to inform the congregations about our work in Brazil.

Arlene Farley shared a letter she had received from Senator Baker in response to a letter she wrote regarding her stand on the ERA. A WNAC resolution in July had suggested that we send letters such as these. Mrs. Farley encouraged others to send letters as well.

The Credentials Committee Report was given by Marge Workman. The report was adopted and the delegates were seated.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your committee on credentials, submit the following report.

1. Reports received from 2 districts and 1 local auxiliary (ies) have been examined and found to be in order, and we recommend that their delegates be seated. These are Union Association, Cumberland Association, and Cookeville local auxiliary.
2. We also recommend that delegates who register properly from any local church affiliated with the various bodies of the TWAC be seated.
3. We recommend that this report be adopted, and that all registered auxiliary delegates, along with the district officers of this convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Gynith Helms, Marjorie Workman

The Children's Home Report was given by Doris Raper.

Greetings from the Children's Home

The Free Will Baptist Home For Children was established in 1939 by the Tennessee State Association of Free Will Baptists. We receive support from our churches in several states and are able to take children from other states. We do not receive state or federal aid, but by faith trust the Lord to supply our needs through His people. We are not an adoption agency, but licensed as a child-care institution and have only temporary guardianship of a child. Some of our children are orphans, some have one parent living, others represent various family problems. If you know of those who need the kind of care we offer, please contact us for information on admission.

You can be a part of our work and help us in some of these ways: Pray for us, come to see us, support with a financial gift, write for a birthday list and remember the children on their birthday, or, if you are interested in a special project write us for a suggestion. Some churches remember the children on special occasions such as birthdays, Christmas, other holidays, while others help provide year-round needs for the Home, such as linens (twin size), towels, pillows, or kitchen needs of all kinds. Check with us if you have questions.

Another project is the "Labels For Education" project. This is a continuing project, and these labels are redeemed for needed school and recreational equipment. We need labels from the following products: all Campbell food products,

Franco-American products, Swanson canned goods, Prego Spaghetti Sauce, V-8 vegetable juice, Recipe dog food products, and the blue-green triangle from the Swanson frozen products containers. We only need the front portion of the labels giving the name of the product with the picture, so if you would trim these it would help us and save on postage also. These may be sent third-class.

Jane Brown and West Virginia Cottages have recently been remodeled and refurnished. Churches and individuals may wish to consider furnishing a room. This would consist of a bed, mattress, chest, curtains, and bedspread. The price is \$400 and for those who furnish a room at this price a plaque of appreciation will be mounted on the door to the room. Please let us know if you desire to participate in this project. It could be paid within the next year, or otherwise as you choose.

We are in the 4th year of operation of our own Christian school, which is only for the children of the Home. We have one student at Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, TN. Anyone desiring to help with this college expense may designate a gift for "Education", send it to the Home and we will use it for this purpose. And Memorial gifts to the Home are an excellent way to honor the memory of a loved one or friend. Some people put the Home in their will. We would be glad to discuss any of these areas with you. Again, thank you for your interest and we desire your prayers.

James Earl Raper, Superintendent

Committees were appointed. The meeting was dismissed at 10:15 for committee meetings.

11:00 Morning Worship Service

The morning worship service began by the congregation singing Footsteps of Jesus led by Doris Raper. Special prayer for Jane Bailey's father, Mr. Lewis, Trula Cronk, and Calvin Evans' family--in particular his son and grandson, was led by Cleo Pursell. David Reece, Home Missionary to Fredericksburg, Virginia, was given opportunity to thank the state of Tennessee for all the help he has received from them. He reported that recently the church had experienced 60 rededications. He also said that they hope to be a self-supporting church very soon.

Doris Raper led the congregation in singing To God Be The Glory. The girls from the Children's Home sang Seek Ye First and Greater Is He.

Missionary to France Tom McCullough preached to us a message he titled "The Charter of God" taken from John 3:14-21.

After the message Mrs. Hampton dismissed non-auxiliary members so that the business meeting could be reconvened by the delegates.

The resolutions committee report was given by Oleda Rudy. The report was received and adopted item by item.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your committee on resolutions, wish to recommend the following:

1. Plan of work:

- January - TWAC Enlistment and Support-\$1 each
auxiliary (for state minutes)
- February - National Student Month
- March - \$1 per member for Hosting 1985 (WNAC)
- April - Foreign Missions
- May - Hughes Ellis project "Land for Lakeland"
(State project)
- June - optional
- July - reminder to pay local dues to state
- August - WNAC Emphasis
- September - Student Loan Fund
- October - Children's Home
- November - National Home Missions
- December - optional

2. We recommend that the 1983-84 state project be as follows:
"Land for Lakeland" for Hughes Ellis, home missionary to Paris, Tennessee. Goal: 1000 square yards at \$2.00 each, for a total of \$2,000.
3. Whereas the 1985 Golden Jubilee session of WNAC will be held in Nashville, and whereas the Tennessee State Auxiliary Convention will be responsible for financial assistance, we recommend that a two year project be launched, and that each auxiliary pay \$1.00 per member per year.

Respectfully submitted,

Oleda Rudy
Jewel Sweeney
Sue Looper
Doris Raper
Cleo Pursell

The finance committee report was given by Arlene Farley. The report was received and adopted item by item.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the finance committee, submit the following report:

1. That the treasurer's records are correct as recorded, which show a balance in Farmer and Merchants Bank of Lime-stone as of October 31, 1983 to be \$926.48.
2. That within 90 days following the adjournment of this session, 350 copies of the 1983 minutes be printed and that one copy per district and state convention officer be mailed
3. That each TWAC officer, upon presentation of a written statement of her expenses incurred while promoting TWAC work, be reimbursed by TWAC treasurer.
4. That the secretary and treasurer be paid the sum of \$45.00 each for the clerical work involved in these offices.
5. That 20¢ per mile be allowed TWAC officers for travel expenses to the executive meetings.
6. That we give the morning offering to Tom and Patty McCullough and that addional money be taken from the treasury to bring this amount to \$500. (The morning offering was \$264; \$236 was taken from the treasury.)

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene Farley

Alice Woolsey

Peggy Outland

The registration committee report was given by Peggy Clyatt and was received as information.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your committee on registration, wish to make the following report:

State officers - 3
District officers - 2
District delegates - 18
Local presidents - 4
Local delegates - 13
Missionaries - 3
Visitors - 13

TOTAL REGISTERED - 56

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Clyatt, Debbie Mitchell

The Appreciation Committee report was given by Winona Riggs. The report was received and adopted item by item.

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your appreciation committee, wish to express appreciation and thanks as follows:

1. To Fellowship Church for hosting and so graciously receiving the TWAC and refreshments during break.
2. A special thanks to Kay Hampton for taking charge so capably at the last minute for this session.
3. To Doris Raper and "our" children for the beautiful music.
4. To Host Church for floral arrangement and corsage for speaker at Woman's Auxiliary banquet.
5. To Patty and Tom McCullough for the spiritual food and thought for our convention.
6. To Rolla Smith for film presentation. "Mightier Than These".
7. To Karen Polston, Cumberland District, Fellowship Church, Antioch, for Banner.

Respectfully submitted,
Winona Riggs
Edna Lee

The nominating committee report was given by Arlene Farley. Since there were no nominations from the floor, the officers were elected by acclamation.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the nominating committee, after much prayer, wish to recommend the following officers to serve the TWAC.

President - Kay Hampton
Vice-President - Marge Workman
Secretary - Anne Worthington
Treasurer - Jane Bailey
Field Worker - Debbie Mitchell
Members-at-large
- Laoretta Harrison
- Arlene Farley
- Myrtle Reeds

Respectfully submitted,
Arlene Farley
Oleda Rudy
Lola Hopkins
Florence Parham
Bonnie Jeter

A special thank you was expressed to the outgoing officers

of this convention for a job well done. These are:

President-Sharon Riley
Vice-President-Linda Wright
Secretary-Gynith Helms
Treasurer-Jane Bailey
Field Worker-Kay Hampton
Members-at-large
 Lauretta Harrison
 Nita Middleton
 Arlene Farley

The 1984 WNAC is to be held July 16 and 17 in Little Rock, Arkansas. Fifteen delegates are to be appointed from the list of those who will be attending. Written notification will be sent prior to that time.

Lorene Miley led the new officers in a prayer of dedication.

Announcement was made regarding the banquet to be held at 5:00. Patty McCullough would be speaking.

Meeting was adjourned.

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CONSTITUTION
of the
TENNESSEE FREE WILL BAPTIST
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

Preamble

Believing that a bond of union and fellowship among Free Will Baptist Women of Tennessee will achieve greater success in all their efforts which are put forth in the various districts throughout the state, through a state organization, thus further combining our auxiliary work with a view to unity of purpose in promoting more effectively the cause of Christ along all lines of Christian Women's endeavors, we do organize and adopt the following constitution for our better government.

Article I - Name

This organization shall be known as the Tennessee Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Free Will Baptists.

Article II - Purpose

The purpose of this convention shall be to bring the women of each district convention together for fellowship, sharing information, transacting business pertaining to the promotion of mission work in general, and encouraging one another in the work of the Lord.

Article III - Membership

Section 1. This convention shall be composed of the officers of the convention together with district officers, ten district delegates (duly accredited by the credentials committee), and local presidents. Two additional delegates from each local auxiliary may be qualified to vote by paying a registration fee of \$1.00 each.

Section 2. Local Woman's Auxiliaries representing directly to this body shall send two dollars (\$2.00) per member for membership and convention representation fee.

Article IV - Officers

Section 1. The officers of this convention shall be a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and field worker. These shall serve on the state executive committee together with three members elected by the convention as desired. Five of these shall compose a quorum.

Section 2. All officers and duly accredited delegates shall be members in good standing of a Free Will Baptist church and active members of a local woman's auxiliary

Article V - Meetings

The annual meeting shall be held each year at such time and place as may be determined at the previous annual meeting or by the executive committee.

Article VI - Amendments

This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the convention by a two-thirds vote of members present.

BY-LAWS

Article I - Duties of Officers

Section 1. President-The president shall preside over all meetings, appoint such committees as may be needed, call the executive committee together when necessary, be ex-officio member of all committees, and serve as chairman of the executive committee, see that reports are made promptly to the national secretary and perform all duties usually pertaining to such an office.

Section 2. Vice-President-The vice-president shall preside in the absence of the president or by her request and otherwise assist her in the oversight of the work in general.

Section 3. Secretary-The secretary shall keep an accurate record of all proceedings of the convention and executive committee meetings, preserve all valuable papers and turn same over to her successor in office, and make an annual report to the national secretary on a form available from the WNAC office. She shall compile the districts' slates of officers and addresses immediately after the convention. She shall also send a slate of state officers and addresses to the national executive secretary.

The secretary shall also serve as historian keeping an historical record and submitting historical information to the national executive secretary annually.

Section 4. Treasurer-The treasurer shall have charge of all funds belonging to this convention and shall pay out same only when authorized by the convention. The treasurer shall keep an accurate account and shall give a written report of all funds received and disbursed at each annual meeting of the convention. She shall also send an annual report to the WNAC executive secretary-treasurer at least ten days before the end of the fiscal year. She shall encourage support of missions through the WNAC Gifts Plan, individual giving and special offerings. The convention year shall terminate and all books of the treasurer be closed October 30.

Section 5. Field Worker-The field worker shall have charge of all field work pertaining to, or necessary to, the promotion of the work of the convention and keep the national program before the district officers.

Article II - Elections

The general officers shall serve a term of two years, shall be nominated by a nominating committee and shall be elected by acclamation, unless there are other nominations. In case of more than one nominee for any particular office, a vote will be taken on each. All elections shall be held at the closing business session of the convention.

Article III - Expenses

An appropriation toward the expenses, postage and stationery for officers may be decided upon by the convention. All field promotional work is subject to the state executive committee, who should approve all work done by state officers in the interest of state work, as well as expense of the same.

Article IV - Committees

Section 1. Executive Committee-The executive committee shall be composed of the five officers and three members elected by the convention. Five of these shall compose a quorum. They shall hold meetings for the transaction of business as often as necessary. It shall be the duty of the executive committee to maintain an oversight of the work at large. They shall act for the convention when necessary. They shall prepare the program for the regular meeting of the convention.

Section 2. Resolutions Committee-A resolutions committee of five members shall be appointed by the president as needed.

Section 3. Nominating Committee-The nominating committee shall be composed of at least one member from each district convention, to be nominated from the floor and elected by the body at its annual meeting.

Section 4. Credentials Committee-The secretary shall be chairman of the credentials committee, and other members may be appointed by the president.

Section 5. Finance Committee-The finance committee shall be appointed by the president. This committee audits the financial records of the year and reports on same to the convention.

Section 6. Registration committee-Members as needed may be appointed by the president to serve on this committee. This committee registers those in attendance as the convention may desire.

Article V - Fees and Reports

Section 1. One dollar seventy five (\$1.75) per active member shall be paid yearly to the Woman's Auxiliary Convention for membership and convention representation plus an additional one dollar (\$1.00) fee for each local auxiliary comprising the district convention.

Section 2. Local auxiliaries, in sections of the state where there is no district convention, may send \$2.00 per member directly from the local to the state convention.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of each body directly affiliated with the secretary by Tennessee Woman's Auxiliary Convention to send a report to the state secretary by October 30.

Article VI - Gifts

The desired plans for giving in the Woman's Auxiliary are mission offerings following each special season of prayer. Co-Laborer offerings, and gifts to WNAC general fund and Memorial Student Loan Fund and other gifts designated by the Convention.

Article VII - Amendments

These by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present at any regular meeting of the State Auxiliary Convention.

