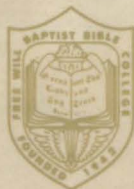


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ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Read letters from the churches.
2. Election of officers.
3. Reception of new churches.
4. Invitation to visiting brethren to take seats.
5. Call for correspondents.
6. Appointment of committees.
7. Call for reports of committees.
8. Miscellaneous business.
9. Appointment of correspondents.
10. Time and place of holding the next session.
11. Election of a minister to preach the introductory sermon.
12. Adjournment of the Association.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. At every sitting, business shall be opened and conducted by prayer by the Moderator, or whomsoever he may request.

2. Ministers present invited to seats are allowed to take part in the debate on all subjects, and vote.

3. Those who speak shall arise and address the Moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.

4. No motion shall be discussed without being seconded.

5. When a motion has been made and seconded and a member opposes its discussion, the moderator shall put the question: Shall it be discussed? If negative, the question shall be dismissed.

6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points it shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken.

7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on any question without special leave of the Moderator.

9. All questions decided by a majority of the members present.

10. No member shall absent himself without special leave of the Moderator.

11. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected before the close of the Association, if necessary.

12. In the future sessions of the Association, arrangements shall be made to insure two or more sermons each day, or other equivalent exercises.

13. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after the organization of the Association.

14. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular session of the Association.

CONSTITUTION.

From long experience, we, the members of the Free Will Baptist Church of Christ, being regularly baptised upon a profession of our faith in Jesus Christ, and being convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate a union and communion among us, and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, do therefore ordain this constitution for our better church government.

1. This association shall be composed of members chosen by different churches in our union, not exceeding three delegates from each church, and on producing letters shall be entitled to seats.

2. Letters from the different churches are to express the number in fellowship, the number received by experience, letters of recommendation, the number dismissed, excluded, restored, and those who have died since the Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened to be denominated the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, being composed of sundry churches in the Indian Territory—the Association having no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor to have any ecclesiastical power over the churches reserving the right of withdrawing from any church becoming disorderly.

4. The Association to have a Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer, who are to be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

5. Newly constituted churches may be admitted to the Association, who are to petition by letter and delegates, and if upon examination they are found to be orthodox and orderly, they may be received into the Association, the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

6. No question from any church shall come under the consideration of the Association, unless it has first been discussed in its own church.

7. Every motion made and seconded shall come under

the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

8. The Association is to endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association in proportion to the number of members in each church, the distribution being at the discretion of the Association.

9. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the Association on a book to be kept by the Association for this purpose.

10. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected if needed, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the close of the Association.

11. Amendments to the Constitution may be made when necessary by a majority of members present.

Resolved, That we earnestly request all of our ministers and deacons and churches composing this Association, to co-operate with each other and to assist in every way they can to help further the Gospel, and that each church should help their pastor and if an evangelist should visit any destitute places and organize churches that we urge upon the people to assist the evangelist so he can go and preach the word.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe in one true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one in divine essence, power and glory. Romans 1:20; John 1:1.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testament is the word of God, and the only infallable rule of faith and practice. Second Timothy, 3:16.

3. We believe that God created man good, and gave him Holy Commandments whereby he should live holy, but man voluntarily disobeyed the commandments of God, transgressed the law and fell under the just condemnation of the same, whereby all mankind are sinners, not by constraint but by choice, being partakers of the sinful nature attained by the fall, and that man is unable to save himself with his own power, but we see Jesus for the suffering of death crowned with glory, that He by the grace of God should taste death for very man. Gen. 1:13; Heb. 2:9.

4. We believe that Christ, by his death, sufferings and resurrection purchased our pardon and offered it freely to all mankind upon principles of repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He now commands all men everywhere to repent; therefore, He sayeth: "Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth, for I am God and there is none else."—Mathew 5:17, Isaiah 45:22, Acts 20:20-21.

5. We believe that adult persons must be regenerated and born of the spirit of God, if they inherit eternal life.—John 3:3, Romans 5:13.

6. We believe that infants and idiots are saved upon the merits of the Son of God.—Jonah 4:1, Mark 10:14, Luke 18:16.

7. We believe that all Christians persevere in grace and be faithful to the end if they inherit eternal life, for blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life and enter in through the gates into the city.—Rev. 22:14.

8. We believe that baptism by immersion is the apostolic mode; even the burial of a believer in water, and that Christ, who is our life, showed his humble example to his children and bids us to walk therein.—John 3:22, Matt. 3:16, Romans 6:2-5, Matt. 28:19-20.

9. We believe that God in his goodness displays his power of grace in great degree in calling and qualifying his servants by the teaching of the Holy Ghost and by the instruction of his word to go forth and proclaim life and salvation without price. He bids us freely come and nothing prevents the salvation of any but their stubborn rebellion and sinful refusal to come.—1 Cor. 12:3, Eph. 3:7, Rev. 22:17.

10. We believe that baptism and the Lord's supper and washing the saints feet are divine ordinances and should be observed by all his children.—Mark 14:22-23, John 13:4-16, Matt. 28:19-20, 1st Tim. 5:10.

11. We believe that none have a right to baptism, only those who have a living hope in the Lord Jesus Christ and none have the right to administer the same only those who have come under the hands of the presbytery of elders, and each church ought to have a pastor, deacon and clerk chosen by the church and continue in office during the good pleasure of the same and in dealing with disorderly members, reference should be had to the 18th chapter of Mathew and other

scriptures relative to dealing with disorderly members. In all cases a majority shall rule except in receiving members and then it must be unanimous.—Titus 1:5, Acts 14:23, 2nd Cor. 6:6.

12. We believe it is the duty of each church to assemble themselves together once a month and that it is the duty of the pastor of the church, when setting forth the Lord's supper and washing the saint's feet to let a man "examine himself and so let him eat."—1st Cor. 11:28.

13. We believe that Sanctification and Holiness is a Bible doctrine, that immortality is God dwelling in the light, so when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, "Death is swallowed up in Victory." That it is our duty to be tender and affectionate to one another and to study the happiness of the people of God in general and to be singly engaged to promote the honor and glory of God.—Galatians 6:10, 1st John 2:9.

14. We believe in the resurrection of the dead of both the just and the unjust; the resurrection of the just to glory and immortality in the presence of God; the unjust to everlasting shame and banishment from the presence of God.—Matt. 25:31, Cor. 15:42-45, 2nd Thes. 1:1-10, Rev. 20:11, 2nd John 19:26.

CHURCH COVENANT.

Having been brought, as we humbly trust, by divine grace to embrace the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and having obtained justification by Faith in his name, we, as members of the several churches that constitute the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, adopt the following as our Church Covenant:

1. To watch over each other in love, to pray for each other as members of a common Faith, ever striving to keep the unity of spirit in the bonds of peace.

2. We will not speak evil of each other, nor will we persecute or expose the faults of the weak members of our church; but we will endeavor to be governed by Paul's instruction to Timothy: "That we will reprove, rebuke and exhort" each other as members of a common brotherhood.

3. We are commanded to do good unto all men, especially to those who are of the household of Faith. But we should remember that our relations to each other are closer, and the obligations more binding, than that of a common bond of Christian Charity. In adopting this Covenant, we become as a family, and assume in a Christian sense, the care and responsibility that the members of a family should feel for each other.

4. We will attend the stated meetings of our church, unless we are providentially hindered, or uncontrollable circumstances prevent us. And we will contribute of our means, as the Lord has prospered us for the support of our pastor and other necessary expenses of our church. And we will prefer the service of our own Church to that of any other, and will pray for our pastor while he is preaching the word of God to us.

5. We will not injure our influence in the house of the Lord, by occupying seats among the ungodly and sinners; but will occupy seats near the pulpit, and use the natural powers which the Lord has given us, to praise his holy name. We will sing, with those who sing, and pray with those who pray.

6. We will not be guilty of the sin of Sabbath breaking, by making Sunday visits to our neighbors, which is a double sin against the law of God, for in so doing, we fail to attend the house of the Lord, and hinder others who might wish to do so. Let us remember the law of Moses, which condemns Sabbath breaking, and the words of the inspired apostle which says: "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is."

7. We will not neglect secret and public prayers, and those of us who are heads of families will strive to dedicate our household to the service of God, by teaching our children the great necessity of the Christian religion as the only hope of happiness after death. We will adopt the covenant of Joshua, the servant of the Lord, and say, "but as for me and my house we will serve the Lord."

PROCEEDINGS.

The Twelfth Annual Session of the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists met with New Hope church, seven miles south of Pryor Creek, Indian Territory, on Friday evening, August 18th, 1905, at eight o'clock p. m. After Prayer and Praise service, J. A. Lowery preached a grand sermon from text, Proverbs, 27th Chapter, 4th verse. The services concluded by Elder C. C. Hoos. The Association adjourned to meet Saturday morning at eight a. m.

Saturday Morning, Eight A. M.

The house was called to order by J. F. Musgrave. Remarks made by the Moderator. Prayer was offered by Elder J. M. Roberts. Church letters were called for and received from the following churches: Concord, Macedonia No. 1, New Hope, Field's Chapel, Pope's Chapel, Choteau.

New Churches.

Hichita, Chant, Oktaha, Lone Prairie, Macedonia No. 2, Spring Town, New Union.

Following the announcement came the election of officers: Rev. C. C. Hoos was elected Moderator; J. F. Musgrave, Assistant Moderator; E. L. Jarnagan, Clerk; J. W. Moyers, Assistant Clerk. The Rules of Order were read and was followed by the reception of new churches. Delegates from the new churches were invited to come forward to receive the right hand of church fellowship.

The Moderator was granted power to appoint all committees. Devotional committee: Brothers W. A. Littlefield, H. A. Miller and Louis Hoos. On motion the meeting adjourned until two p. m.

At two p. m. the house was called to order and engaged in singing and prayer; after which Elder James M. Roberts was elected Moderator protem. Committee on Credentials was named as follows: Brothers J. W. Moyers, James Musgrave and J. W. Harp.

Committee on Bill of Arrangements: Brothers J. W. Graham, H. S. Winn and W. P. Shahan.

Committee on Temperance: Brothers J. L. Henry, W. W. Hudson and Mattie McDaniels.

Committee on Obituaries: Brothers R. L. Whitaker, G. F. Samples and W. O. Spurgeon.

Committee on Sabbath School: F. A. Bruton, O. L. Mann and W. H. Hunter.

Committee on Character of Ministers and Deacons: Brothers Ed. Williams, R. Thelkeld and Sister M. E. Roberts.

Committee on Literature: Brothers J. W. Harp, W. L. Roberts and Calvin Atkinson.

Committee on Educational Schools: Brothers W. P. Shahan, J. F. Musgrave and W. R. Davidson.

Committee on Association Missions: Brothers H. S. Winn, H. M. Bishop and J. W. Harp.

Committee on Finance: Brothers B. W. Griffin, F. A. Bruton and J. W. Caudle.

On motion the meeting adjourned to nine a. m. Monday.

Devotional exercises were then opened by singing. Prayer by Elder C. Hosfelt, after which, at eleven a. m., the introductory sermon was preached by Elder James M. Roberts. The scripture lesson 4th Chapter of Ephésians. A grand sermon was preached to a large and attentive congregation. Concluded by H. S. Winn. On motion adjourned until eight p. m., Saturday.

Saturday night services opened by singing; prayer by Brother Graham, and preaching by Elder H. S. Winn. The scripture lesson fifteenth Psalm; the text, first chapter, First John, sixth verse. An excellent discourse followed by Elder J. W. Jackson. An invitation was given to sinners for prayer by Elder J. W. Harp; singing by the congregation. Adjournment until nine a. m., Sunday.

Sunday Services.

Services commenced by singing at nine a. m., Sunday. Preaching by Elder J. P. Smith. The scripture lesson fifth chapter and the thirteenth verse of Matthew. Elder G. S. Samples followed, after which the meeting adjourned to meet at eleven a. m.

At eleven a. m. the house was called to order by singing. Preaching by Elder W. P. Shahan. The scripture lesson twenty-third Psalm: text, Luke, fourteenth chapter, seventeenth verse, followed by C. C. Hoos. An invitation was given to sinners for prayer by Brother Roberts, followed by singing by the congregation. On motion adjourned until four p. m., Sunday.

At four o'clock the house was called to order by sing-

ing. Brothers R. L. Whitaker and Nola Miller preached. Brother Whitaker's scripture lesson Second Corinthians, fourth chapter. text Timothy, third chapter, first verse. Brother Nola Miller's was the sixth chapter of Mark, first verse and fifteenth chapter and twentieth verse of Luke. These two Brethren are both young preachers and they did excellently, handled their subject and we are glad of our boys. They were both ordained as ministers. Presbytery, Elder J. W. Harp, C. C. Hoos and W. P. Shahan; prayer by Brother Harp.

Ordination of Brother H. S. Miller to Deaconship of New Hope church. Presbytery, Elders J. W. Harp, W. P. Shahan, and Brother Lightfoot; prayer by W. P. Shahan. The right hand of Christian fellowship was extended to the Brothers ordained, after which the association adjourned until eight p. m., Sunday night.

The house was called to order by singing at eight o'clock. Praching by Elder Lightfoot. The scripture lesson, Psalms 116; the text, third chapter, ninth verse of Genesis, after which he delivered an able discourse to a large audience.

An opportunity was then given to sinners for prayer by Brother Lightfoot. Prayer by C. C. Hoos, after which an adjournment to meet at nine a. m. Monday.

Monday Session.

The house was called to order by singing. Prayer by Brother Musgrave, after which the meeting proceeded to business.

The committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to report as follows: That we have adopted the report on Sabbath Schools as is adopted in the Eleventh Annual Session meeting, viz.:

"On Sabbath School,—We, your committee on Sabbath Schools, beg leave to report as follows: We believe that it is the duty of each Church to maintain a Sabbath School and let it be understood that we, the Free Will Baptist, recommend union as the basis for all Christian people to do the will of our Father in Heaven. That we, as Christians, should unite all our efforts to keep our children in Sabbath School, as it may be the means of bringing them to Christ. We earnestly request all our ministers and deacons to do all they can to help build lively Sabbath Schools and prayer meetings in all our churches which is the life of all churches and neighborhoods. We recommend the scriptures as our main literature."

The report was received and adopted and the committee discharged.

F. S. BRUTON, Chairman.

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report as follows: That we adopted the report on Temperance as in the Eleventh Annual Session minutes, viz.:

"Temperance.—We, your committee on Temperance, beg leave to report as follows: That it is our honest conviction that intemperance is the direct or indirect cause of nine-tenths of the crimes committed in all our land. It is the mighty means of keeping thousands of men and women from making peace with their Savior; it invades the peaceful homes of peaceful women and children, blasting and withering the fairest flowers of our land. It beclouds the minds and corrupts the morals and destroys the minds of both old and young; it makes widows of Christian hearted mothers and brings them and their children to want. It corrupts the Bar, the Bench and Pulpit, State Legislature and the Hall of Congress. No one is beyond its reach and powerful influence, therefore it is our duty as Christians and children of God, to banish the demon beyond our churches and country, that true hearted Christians should help in delivering falling man from its blighting influence. Brothers and sisters help us, the committee, to pray more earnestly, and put on the whole armor of Christ, that we may be able to banish the demon of intemperance from our land."

W. W. HUDSON, Chairman.

We, your Committee on Schools, beg leave to report as follows: We believe in encouraging a higher system of education among the Free Will Baptists. As education will prepare our children to take their place in the great and busy world, as well as in the Kingdom of God, we would, therefore, recommend the following Free Will Baptist Schools: Hillsdale College, Michigan Theological Seminary, Aden, North Carolina, Bryan's Academic and Collegiate Institute.

W. P. SHAHAN, Chairman.

We, your Committee on Literature, recommend the Bible as the man of our council. We would urge each and every one to read the Word of God prayerfully, and also the necessity of getting better united on the teachings of the Bible. We would also urge that our people take and read at least one denominational paper, and we recommend the Free Will Baptist, St. Louis, Missouri, The F. W. B., Aden N. C., and The Pickwick Messenger, of Tennessee.

J. W. HARP, Chairman.

We, your Committee on Bill of Arrangements, beg leave to report as follows: That Sanctification and Holiness is a Bible doctrine, that immortality is God dwelling in the light, so where this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this moral shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, "Death is swallowed up in victory"—First Corinthians, fifteenth chapter, fifth verse.

Resolved, That we forbid any of our ministers or members of our church in this association preaching Sanctification and Holiness as a second work of Grace instantaneous from regeneration or conversion, that it is our duty to be tender and affectionate one toward another, and to study the happiness of the people of God in general and to be singly engaged to promote the honor and glory of God.—Gallations sixth chapter, tenth verse; First John, second chapter, ninth verse.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. GRAHAM, Chairman.

We, your Committee on Ministerial Character of Ministers and Deacons, beg leave to report as follows: We find all of our ministers and deacons in good standing and in perfect harmony.

Respectfully submitted,

SISTER M. E. ROBERTS, Chairman.

We, your Committee on Credentials beg leave to report as follows: We find Elders J. S. Lowery, W. P. Shahan, and J. P. Smith's credentials to be orthodox.

J. W. HARP, Chairman.

We, your Committee on Territorial Missions, beg leave to report as follows: Whereas, this Association covers the great territory of the Cherokee and Creek Nations, and we have but few churches, therefore, we see a great destitution and the need of an evangelist to visit and preach in destitute territories, therefore, we submit this matter to the Association for its consideration. We, therefore, pray God to assist us all in carrying out the great plan of salvation:

Respectfully submitted,

ELDER H. S. WINN, Chairman.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report as follows:

Minute Fund.

Concord church	\$2.50	Choteau Creek	\$2.10
Macedonia No. 1.....	2.50	Chant	2.50
New Hope	2.50	Oktaha	1.00
Cole Schoolhouse	2.50	Lone Prairie	1.00
Fields Chapel	2.50	Macedonia No. 2.....	1.35
New Home	2.50	Spring Town	.50
Hitchita	1.50	New Union No. 2.....	1.55
Popes Chapel	2.50		

J. W. CANDLE, Chairman.

Ministerial Report.

W. A. Hearron.

Sermons preached	61
Baptised	11
Conversions Witnessed.....	28
Married	12
Contributions	\$58.35

C. C. Hoos.

Sermons preached	15
Married	4
Contributions	none
Received for marriages	\$4.00
Funerals	1

H. S. Winn.

Sermons preached	163
Baptised	16
Churches organized	2
Funerals preached	2
Married	4
Conversions	64
Received in churches	35
Contributions	\$25.00

G. F. Samples.

Sermons preached	46
Baptised	6
Received in church	15
Baptised	1
Conversions	3
Traveled, miles	550

R. L. Dunaway.

Sermons preached	60
Baptised	3
Received in church	1
Funerals	3

Marriages	9
Total Contributions	\$52.71

W. P. Shahan.

Sermons preached	130
Baptised	34
Funerals	13
Marriages	10
Conversions	43
Contributions	\$74.12

Nola Miller.

Sermons preached	17
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W. W. Hudson.

Sermons preached	36
Received in church	7
Marriages	4
Received for marriages	\$8.00
Ministerial work	\$34.00

James M. Roberts.

Sermons preached	83
Funerals	21
Marriages	9
For marriages	\$20.00
Contributions	\$12.00

R. L. Whitaker.

Sermons preached	75
Marriages	4
Conversions	15
Contribution	\$6.00

J. W. Harp.

EVANGELIST REPORT.

Sermons preached	190
Conversions	122
Received in church	100
Churches organized	3
Funerals	3
Baptised	29
Contributions	\$243.55

Ministers and Post Office Address.

Elder N. G. Hatchett,	McLain, I. T.
Elder A. B. Self,	Webbers Falls, I. T.
W. A. Hearron	Porum, I. T.
J. W. Harp,	Pryor Creek, I. T.
James M. Roberts,	Webbers Falls, I. T.

R. L. Whitaker	Choteau, I. T.
W. W. Hudson,	Peggs, I. T.
Nola Miller,	Choteau, I. T.
W. P. Shahan,	Coweta, I. T.
G. F. Samples,	Morris, I. T.
C. C. Hoos,	Porum, I. T.
H. S. Winn,	Chant, I. T.
R. L. Dunaway,	Choteau, I. T.
J. P. Smith,	Tahlequah, I. T.
Elder J. M. Jackson,	Coweta, I. T.

Licentiates.

J. W. Moyers,	Peggs, I. T.
J. D. Young,	Fawn, I. T.

We, your Committee on Obituaries, beg leave to report as follows: That the good Lord has bestowed upon us such blessings as to spare the lives of our brothers and sisters in the Lord, that only Brother Joe Weaver of Field's Chapel, Sister Lilley Bearden of Macedonia No. 1, died January ninth, 1905, J. D. Poteete, Macedonia No. 1, died August ninth, 1905, and W. P. Huddleston, Concord. We mourn their loss but hope our loss is their Eternal gain.

REV. R. D. WHITAKER, Chairman.

Report of Church Letters.

Cole School House Church:—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists when assembled with New Hope church, we sent as delegates from our church, Brothers John Henry, J. H. Parsons and Elder Williams, whom we pray you receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

Membership	40
State of Religion	good
We send as Minute fund	\$2.50

Our regular meeting days are Saturday before the fourth Sunday in each month. We have called Elder James M. Roberts as our pastor for the ensuing year.

JAMES M. ROBERTS, Moderator.

LEVY COLISON, C. C.

Macedonia Church No. 1.—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with New Hope church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers W. H. Hunter, W. L. Roberts and Sister Mary E. Roberts, whom we pray you receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

Received into church by Recommendation	2
Excluded	9
Died	2

State of Religion	good
Number in Fellowship	57
Minute fund	\$2.50

We have called Elder W. A. Hearron as our Moderator for the ensuing year Done in regular Conference, June 24th, 1905.

W. A. HEARRON, Moderator.
N. B. BEARDEN, C. C.

New Home Church.—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with New Hope church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers J. W. Moyers, W. A. Littlefield, and J. N. Musgrave, whom we pray you receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

Number Fellowship	97
State of Religion	good
We send as Minute fund	\$2.50

We have called Elder R. L. Dunaway as our postor for this year

R. L. DUNAWAY, Moderator.
C. S. HUDSON, Clerk.

Field's Chapel Church.—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists when assembled with New Hope church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers O. L. Mann, Calvin Atkinson and Louis Hoos, whom we pray you receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

Members in fellowship	132
State of Religion	good
We send as Minute fund	\$2.50

We have called as our pastor for the ensuing year, W. A. Hearon. Our regular meeting days are the second Saturday and Sunday in each month.

W. A. HEARRON, Moderator.
H. H. CORBELL, C. C.

Choteau Creek Church.—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with New Hope church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers Oscar Spurgeon, Gear Sholze and Sister Mattie M. Daniels, whom we pray you receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

Received by baptism	9
By recommendation	2
Lettered out	2
Total membership	19
We send as Minute fund	\$2.00

Regular meeting days the second Saturday and Sunday in each month.

R. L. WHITAKER, Moderator.
MATTIE M. DANIELS, C. C.

New Hope Church.—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with New Hope church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers A. J. Miller, J. A. Hall, and C. Rainwater, whom we pray you receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

Received by baptism.....	11
By letter	3
By recommendation	4
Lettered out	9
Excluded.....	2
Total membership	44
Minute Fund	\$2.50

We have called J. W. Harp as our pastor for this year. The third Saturday and Sunday in each month are our meeting days.

J. W. HARP, Moderator.
ADDA HENRY, C. C.

New Churches.

Chant City Church.—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with New Hope church, we send as delegate from our church, Brother F. A. Bruton, whom we pray you receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberation.

Membership	14
Cash for Minute fund.....	\$2.50

H. S. WINN, Moderator.
H. MATHIS, C. C.

Pope's Chapel.—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with New Hope church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers John Hood and Serene Frazier, whom we pray you to receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

By recommendation	1
Excluded	3
Restored	1
Total membership	27
Minute fund	\$2.50

Regular meeting days the second Saturday and Sunday in each month.

JAMES M. ROBERTS, Moderator.
SISTER MARY HATCHETT, C. C.

Concord Church.—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with New Hope church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers J. W. Graham and C. R. Bradshaw, whom we pray you receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

State of Religion	not good
Number in fellowship	41
Experience and for Baptism	1
Died	1
Lettered out	1
Minute fund	\$2.50

Meeting days, the third Saturday and Sunday in each month.
We have called James M. Roberts as our pastor for the ensuing year.

J. H. JACKSON.

New Churches.

New Union Church.—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with New Hope church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers R. Theldkeld, W. R. Davidson and G. W. Bell whom we pray you receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

Received members	29
Lettered out	2
Excluded	1
Died	2
Total membership	98
Minute fund	\$1.55

We have called to the care of our church as pastor, W. P. Shahan.

W. P. SHAHAN, Moderator.
G. W. BELL, C. C.

Macedonia, No. 2.—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with New Hope church, we send from our church as delegate, Brother H. S. Winn, whom we pray you receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

Members in fellowship	10
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H. S. WINN, Moderator.
W. L. WIGGINS, C. C.

Hitchita Church.—To the Territorial Association of Free Will Baptists, when convened with New Hope church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers G. F. Samples and B. M. Griffin, whom we pray you receive to sit with you and aid you in your deliberations.

Members received for Baptism	6
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By letters and relation	23
Total	29
State of Religion	good
Minute fund	\$2.50

Meeting days, fourth Saturday and Sunday in each month.
 We have called Elder G. F. Samples as our Moderator for the
 ensuing year; Deacons, John Blackwell and B. M. Griffin.
 G. F. SAMPLES, Moderator
 L. J. WATSON, C. C.

Oktaha Church.—To the Territorial Association of
 Free Baptists, when assembled with New Hope church,
 we send as delegates from our church, Brothers J. A. Lowery,
 Peter Yoho, C. M. Hill and A. E. Moore, whom we pray you
 receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

Members received	1
Total membership	16
Minute fund	\$1.00

Meeting days the second Saturday and Sunday in each month.
 We have called A. J. Lowery as our Moderator for this year.
 SISTER S. M. MOORE, C. C.

Lone Prairie Church.—To the Territorial Association
 of Free Will Baptists, when convened with New Hope
 church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers
 J. M. O'Bannon and George Smith, whom we pray you receive
 to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

Received by experience and for Baptism.....	2
By recommendation	7
Total membership	9
Minute fund	\$1.00

We have called W. P. Shahan as our pastor for the ensuing
 year.

ETTA KERR, C. C.

Spring Town Church.—To the Territorial Association
 of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with New Hope
 church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers
 H. M. Bishop and Haynes, whom we pray you receive to
 sit with you and aid you in your deliberations.

Number of members	9
Minute fund	50c

We have called J. W. P. Shahan as our pastor for the en-
 suing year.

L. M. BISHOP, C. C.

Mountain Grove Church.—To the Territorial Association
 of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with New Hope
 church, we send as delegates from our church, Brothers J.

Smithson, J. H. Bailey and Rev. A. B. Self, whom we pray you receive to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

Received for Baptism..... 3

By letter 2

Total membership 35

We have called James M. Roberts as our pastor for the ensuing year.

J. F. BARBER, C. C.

Resolved, That we prohibit our members giving, going to, or participating in play parties or dances, and any member found guilty of such offense shall be due the church acknowledgments or shall be considered by the body as strangers, as this is an evil which causes many of our young people to forsake the right way and go off into sin and wickedness. Resolution adopted.

It is further Resolved, That we hold a District meeting with New Union Church, convening on Friday night before the fifth Sunday in October, 1905.

Resolved, That we hold our next annual session which will convene with New Union Church, three and one-half miles west of Coweta, I. T., commencing on Friday night before the third Sunday in August, 1906. Introductory sermon will be preached by Elder W. P. Shahan; alternate, J. M. Jackson.

By motion it was argeed that J. W. Graham assist the clerk in arranging the manuscript and printing the minutes.

On motion our heartfelt thanks were tendered to brothers and sisters and friends of New Hope Church for the kindness and hospitality shown us during the sitting of the Twelfth Annual Session. We then adjourned to meet at the time and place above mentioned.

C. C. HOOS, Moderator.

J. L. MUSGRAVE, Ass't Moderator.

E. L. JARNAGAN, Clerk.

FORMS.

FORM OF A CHURCH LETTER TO THE ASSOCIATION.
INDIAN TERRITORY, Cherokee and Creek Nations,
..... Church to the Territorial Association
of Free Will Baptists, when assembled with.....
We send as delegates from our church, Bros.....
....., whom we pray you receive
to sit with and aid you in your deliberations.

(Add Statistical Report, State of Religion, Postoffice
address, Number in Fellowship, etc.)

Done in Church Conference.....1.....

.....Moderator.
.....Clerk.

LETTERS OF DISMISSAL.

This certifies that..... is a
member of good standing of the Free Will Baptist church at
....., and as such we recommend
him to the fellowship of God's people.

Done by order of Church in Conference.....1.....

.....Moderator.
.....Clerk.

FORM OF DEACON'S LETTER.

This is to certify that Bro..... is a
worthy deacon of our church and we recommend him as being
worthy of his calling.

Done in Church Conference this....day of.....1....

.....Moderator.
.....Clerk.

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