

Proceedings

Minutes of the nineteenth annual session of the Oklahoma Grand River Association of Free Will Baptists, which convened with New Home Church, at Peggs, Okla., on Friday night before the third Sunday in August, 1912.

Congregation called together at 8 o'clock by singing. Prayer by W. A. Shahan, after which Brother J. M. Roberts preached a very interesting sermon. Text: 1 and 2 verses of the 133 division of the Psalms. Adjourned to meet Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

Saturday Morning.

Met Saturday at 9 o'clock. Singing by the congregation. Prayer by J. M. Roberts. After prayer we proceeded to business. Call for letters from different churches and there were thirteen present. We proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year. Brother J. M. Roberts was elected Moderator, and W. A. Shahan assistant. W. J. Burk was elected clerk, and Sister Linder assistant. Rules of order read. Brother T. W. Benton was elected treasurer.

Motion and second to receive the new churches into full fellowship. Motion carried and the right hand of fellowship was extended to them. Call for correspondence from Sister Associations. Brother J. W. Yandell was present and seated as a delegate from the Roberts and McGee Associations. Motion and second that Brother J. W. Benton preach the introductory sermon. Brother J. W. Yandell alternate. Motion carried. Motion and second to adjourn for 11 o'clock services. Motion carried.

11 O'Clock Service.

Congregation called to order by singing. Prayer by Sister Ketchum. Scripture lesson: 8:34 of the Acts of the Apostles and an interesting sermon was preached and the love of God was wonderfully manifested by shouting praise to God. Adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock.

2 O'clock Service.

Met at 2 o'clock. Singing by the congregation. Prayer by J. W.

Graham. Motion and second to appoint the committees. Motion carried. Appointment as follows:

Committee on Ministerial Character—Brother W. C. Knox, Sister Kate Green, M. C. Moore, Sister Sallie Stallcup.

Committee on Devotional Services—J. F. Musgrave, S. T. Scott, J. M. Musgrave.

Committee on Credentials—Brother J. A. Hall, W. M. Blann, B. F. Fairchilds, H. M. Seay.

Committee on Finance—Brother B. C. Timmons, Sister Anna Morton, Brother S. V. Carver, T. S. Pilant.

Committee on Sabbath Schools—Brother Bob Cole, J. H. Williard, J. N. Bailey, James Lewis.

Committee on Obituary—Sister Susie Miller, Sister Rosa Phillips, Bro. J. S. Giles, G. C. Parker.

Committee on Arrangements—G. W. Benton, W. A. Shahan, J. W. Yandell, J. W. Graham, W. W. Hudson.

Committee on Literature—W. M. Wilson, Dicie Stallcup, J. N. Musgrave.

Committee on Temperance—Sister Fannie Keys, Sister Sophia Ketchum, Brother J. W. Wilson, Sister Long.

Committee on Query and Request—Brother J. W. Benton, J. W. Mayer, J. W. Yandell.

Motion and second to adjourn until 8 o'clock Saturday night.

Saturday Night Services.

Saturday night services. Singing by the congregation. Prayer by Brother R. A. Ketchum, after which we had a prayer and praise meeting. Brother J. N. Musgrave preached a soul-stirring sermon, concluded by Brother W. A. Shahan. Text: I Peter 5:7, and the love of God was wonderfully manifested by shouting praises to God. Adjourned, to meet at 9 o'clock Sunday.

Sunday Morning.

Met at 9 o'clock. Singing by the congregation. Prayer by J. B. Shahan, followed by a testimonial meeting conducted by Brother G. W. Benton and the love of God was wonderfully manifested by all of God's people. Brother J. W. Yandell preached an interesting sermon at 11 o'clock. Text: "What Must I Do To Be Saved?" Acts 16:31; Romans 8:17; Cor. 5:12; Heb. 3:7-8; Matt. 12:41; James

4:7; I Cor. 15:1-10; Acts 20:21; Acts 3:20; Lam. 11:17, Matt. 26:28; Heb. 9:22; Rom. 2:25; John 3:16; Eph. 2:8; Eph. 1:19; Rom. 16:1-15; Matt. 10:32; Rom. 8:2; I Peter, 1:3; I Cor. 6:11; Eph. 5:23-25; Rom. 5:13; I Cor. 5:17; I Peter 1:27; St. John 1:144; Heb. 4:12; Acts 26:12; Acts 13:39. Services closed by a donation of \$13.35 to Rev. Yandell. Adjourned until 4 o'clock.

4 O'clock Services.

Met at 4 o'clock. Singing by the congregation. Prayer by T. W. Benton, after which we had a testimonial meeting. Brother B. F. Fairchilds preached an interesting sermon, concluded by Brother W. M. Wilson. Text: Matt. 10:15. Services continued until 7 o'clock, and two souls were saved.

Brother J. W. Yandell commenced preaching at 7 o'clock, on the communion and foot washing and a powerful sermon was preached.

Adjourned, to meet at 8 o'clock Monday morning.

Monday Morning.

Met at 8 o'clock. Singing by the congregation. Prayer by Brother Frank Muskgrave. Motion and second to receive the reports of the committees. Motion carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

We, your committee on Ministerial and Deacon Character, beg leave to report that we find all of the ministers and deacons in good standing except Brother H. T. McCrary. We find charges against him for departing from the faith of the Free Will Baptist, and ask that he be excluded from the Association. We also find there are rumors against Brother R. H. Bird, for organizing churches and baptizing and has no church membership in no church. We also ask that the Association demand the credentials of Brother A. R. Gatewood.

BROTHER W. C. KNOX, Chairman.

We, your committee on literature, beg leave to report as follows: We recommend the Bible as the man of our counsel. We would urge each and every one to read the Word of God more prayerfully and insist that we become closer united on its teachings and