

M I N U T E S  
of the  
Thirty-Eighth Annual Session  
of the  
TEXAS STATE ASSOCIATION  
of  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
Which Convened with  
Pleasant Mound F. W. B. Church  
Buffalo Springs, Texas  
October 28-30, 1952

The Thirty Ninth Annual Session of the  
Texas State Association Will Convene  
at the Bryan Free Will Baptist Church  
Bryan, Texas in The Central Texas  
District Association, Beginning on  
Tuesday night before the First Sunday  
in November, 1953.

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GENERAL OFFICERS-TEXAS STATE ASSO.-1952-53

Rev. C. B. Thompson, 2003 Prairie, Fort Worth, Texas  
Moderator

Rev. R. B. Crawford, 109 S. Baylor, Bryan, Texas  
Assistant Moderator

Rev. Herbert Richards, Farmers Branch, Texas  
Clerk

Rev. H. Z. Cox, 3312 Michigan, Dallas, Texas  
Treasurer

Rev. Gaston Clary, 305 A. Homestead, Bryan, Texas  
Publicity Director

Rev. Clarence Hearron, 2326 N. Riverside, Ft. Worth, Tex  
Statistician

Rev. Noah Tuttle, 305 Truman Dr., Henderson, Texas  
Parliamentarian

Chairman or Secretary of Boards

Mr. N. C. Cole, Home Missions' Treasurer  
Route 3, Bryan, Texas

Rev. Gaston Clary, Foreign Missions' Treasurer  
305 A. Homestead, Bryan, Texas

Rev. R. B. Crawford, F. W. B. League, Chairman  
109 S. Baylor, Bryan, Texas

Rev. C. J. Hearron, Superannuation Treasurer  
2326 N. Riverside, Ft. Worth, Texas

Rev. R. E. Conner, Orphanage, Chairman  
Route 2, Bellevue, Texas

Mrs. Huey Gower, Woman's Auxiliary, President  
Star Route, Henderson, Texas

BOARDS

Christian Education--Mrs. H. Ray Berry, 1953; Rev. C. B. Thompson, 1954; Rev. H. Z. Cox, 1955.

Free Will Baptist League--Rev. Troy Lee McDonald, 1953; Rev. R. B. Crawford, 1954; Rev. J. M. Goode, 1955.

Woman's Auxiliary--Mrs. R. E. Conner, 1953; Mrs. Huey Gower, 1954; Mrs. R. B. Crawford, 1955.

Sunday School--Mrs. Ray Trant, 1953; Rev. B. F. Rogers,

1954; Rev. Huey Gower, 1955.

Foreign Missions--Rev. Gaston Clary, 1953; Rev. Herbert Richards, 1954; Rev. A. F. Ferguson, 1955.

Home Missions--Mr. C. F. Goen, 1953; Rev. N. G. Tuttle, 1953; Rev. Tiff Covington, 1954; Mr. N. C. Cole, 1955; Rev. M. L. Sutton, 1955.

Superannuation--Rev. A. F. Halbrook, 1953; Rev. C. J. Hearron, 1953; Rev. Jack Turrentine, 1954; Rev. J. E. Maricle, 1955; Rev. J. A. Brooks, 1955.

Orphanage--Rev. A. A. Williams, 1953; Rev. Herbert Richards, 1953; Rev. L. J. Forman, 1954; Rev. R. E. Conner, 1955; Mr. Ray Trant, 1955.

### PROCEEDINGS

The Thirty-Eighth Annual Session of the Texas Association of Free Will Baptists Convened Tuesday evening, October 28-30, at the Pleasant Mound Free Will Baptist Church, Buffalo Springs, Texas, in the West Fork District Association.

### Tuesday Evening

The service opened with singing led by Rev. Huey Gower, after which Rev. R. B. Crawford led in prayer.

The Moderator, Rev. Noah Tuttle called the State Association into session, and called our attention to a verse of scripture found in Isaiah 40:31 "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."

The Moderator then recognized visitors and appointed the following committees :Credentials-Rev. C. B. Thompson, Rev. L. J. Forman and Mr. Tatum Trant; Committee on Committees-Rev. Tiff Covington, Rev. A. A. Williams, and Rev. B. F. Rogers; Divine Committee-Mr. W. O. Kennedy and Mr. J. W. Broome.

Brother Kenneth Eagleton, a Young Minister of the First Church at Fort Worth, led the devotional.

A young men's Quartette from Wichita Falls rendered several numbers in song.

Rev. Tiff Covington led in a testimonial service which closed with confession of sins and an altar of prayer led by Brother Covington.

The Moderator introduced the Reverend Wesley Calvery, our future missionary to India, who brought the introductory message based on 2nd Chronicles 7:14 "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

Dismissed with prayer.

#### Wednesday Morning

The session opened with singing led by the Rev. R. B. Crawford; after which Mrs. Huey Gower led in prayer.

Rev. M. L. Sutton brought the morning devotional, reading from Romans 8:1-14.

The Moderator read a letter from the Rev. Alvin F. Halbrook, who resigned his position as clerk of the Association.

The Moderator appointed Mrs. Huey Gower to act as clerk pro-tem.

The report of the Credentials Committee, read by Rev. C. B. Thompson, was adopted and by motion the delegates were seated.

The Moderator read the program for this sitting of the Association, which by motion was adopted.

The following officers were elected at this time:

Moderator-----Rev. C. B. Thompson

|                     |                       |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Assistant Moderator | Rev. R. B. Crawford   |
| Clerk               | Rev. Herbert Richards |
| Treasurer           | Rev. H. Z. Cox        |
| Publicity Director  | Rev. Gaston Clary     |
| Statistician        | Rev. C. J. Hearron    |
| Parliamentarian     | Rev. Noah Tuttle      |

#### Board Members

|                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Christian Education | Rev. H. Z. Cox      |
| F. W. B. League     | Rev. J. M. Goode    |
| Woman's Auxiliary   | Mrs. R. B. Crawford |
| Sunday School       | Rev. Huey Gower     |
| Foreign Missions    | Rev. A. F. Ferguson |
| Home Missions       | Mr. N. C. Cole      |
|                     | Rev. M. L. Sutton   |
| Superannuation      | Rev. J. E. Maricle  |
|                     | Rev. J. A. Brooks   |
| Orphanage           | Rev. R. E. Conner   |
|                     | Mr. Ray T. Trant    |

Rev. L. J. Forman was elected to take the place of Kenneth Emerson on the Orphanage Board.

The Divine Committee gave a partial report, stating that the Rev. H. Z. Cox had been selected to bring the morning message.

The business session adjourned for the morning worship service.

Rev. R. B. Crawford led the congregation in singing.

Mrs. Gaston Clary led in prayer.

Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Calvery sang "I Surrender All"

The Moderator presented the Rev. H. Z. Cox, Pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of

Dallas, who brought a stirring message based on Luke 22:42 "Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done", using as a subject, "The Cup".

Prayer by Brother Cox.

Rev. A. A. Williams dismissed with prayer.

### Wednesday Afternoon

The session opened with singing led by Rev. R. B. Crawford.

Rev. A. A. Williams, Compton, Texas, brought the devotional, reading the Twenty-Third Psalm.

Prayer was led by the Rev. Noah Tuttle.

The report of the Committee on Committees, read by Rev. Tiff Covington, was adopted.

The Treasurer's report of the Home Mission Board, as read by Rev. Tiff Covington for Mr. N. C. Cole, was adopted.

The Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board, Rev. Gaston Clary, presented report which was adopted.

The Host Church rendered a special number in song.

An oral report on Orphanage was given by Rev. A. A. Williams, member of the Board.

Motion that the report be received as a matter of information.

The report of the Treasurer, as given by Rev. Herbert Richards, was adopted.

An oral report on Publicity was given by Rev. R. B. Crawford. By motion the report was received as information.

Central Texas District Association was selected as the place of the next meeting of the Association, the church to be named later.

Rev. R. B. Crawford reported on Christian Education in which he stated that the College is worthy of our support in every way. He also emphasized the deep spirituality of both students and faculty as well as the intellectual ability of each.

Various members of the Board gave oral reports.

After a lengthy discussion on the Free will Baptist Bible College, a motion was made that these reports be accepted as information and that we stand to show that we are going to support the College in paying off the \$65,000.00 indebtedness on the new building purchased.

The Statistical report, as given by Rev. Gaston Clary, was adopted.

The Divine Committee reported that Mrs. Ola Mae Winters had been selected to bring the devotion for the evening service and that Rev. Noah Tuttle would bring the message.

Motion That the Chair appoint an Auditing Committee to audit the books of the Foreign Missions' Treasurer.

Motion that this body have special prayer in behalf of Mrs. A. F. Ferguson, who is to undergo an operation next Wednesday, and that the clerk be instructed to notify her of this action. Mrs. M. L. Sutton led in this prayer.



Motion to adjourn.

Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Noah Tuttle.

Wednesday Evening

The evening service opened with the assistant moderator, Rev. R. E. Conner, presiding.

Congregational singing was led by Rev. Wesley Calvery with Mrs. Calvery at the piano.

Rev. Teff Covington led in prayer.

The devotional was conducted by Mrs. Ola Mae Winters, who read from John 14 and Romans 8.

We were favored with a number of special musical numbers which were enjoyed by all.

Special prayer was offered by Rev. R. E. Conner in behalf of Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Calvery, future Missionaries to India.

Rev. Noah Tuttle delivered the message which was a real challenge to prayer. Scripture reading was Isaiah 40:28-31. The text of his message was verse 31 "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. R. E. Conner.

Thursday Morning

The morning session opened with singing led by Rev. Wesley Calvery.

Devotions were led by Rev. Troy Lee McDonald, who spoke on prayer.

Rev. R. B. Crawford led in prayer.

The League report, read by Rev. R. B. Crawford, and considered item by item, was adopted in its entirety.

The report of Woman's Auxiliary, as read by Mrs. Huey Gower, was adopted.

The report of the Superannuation Board, given by Rev. Clarence Hearron, was by motion, adopted as read.

The Temperance report, read by Rev. R. E. Conner, was adopted.

The report of the Obituary Committee was read and by motion, adopted.

Rev. M. L. Sutton led in prayer.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Rev. H. Z. Cox

Motion that the report be accepted and that the resolutions be considered item by item.

Motion to adopt item No. 1. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt item No. 2. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt item No. 3. Motion carried.

Motion that item No. 4 be tabled until the afternoon session. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt item No. 5. Motion carried.

The business session adjourned until after lunch.

Rev. Wesley Calvery led the congregation in singing.

Rev. Huey Gower delivered the message on the subject of Christian Education. The scripture reading was Deuteronomy 6:1-9; 20-21. Prayer was led by Rev. Gower.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. W. A. Hearron.

#### Thursday Afternoon

The session opened with singing led by Rev. Wesley Calvery.

Rev. C. B. Thompson brought the devotional, reading Psalm 23, after which he led in prayer.

The Moderator appointed Rev. Gaston Clary, Moderator of the Central Texas District Association, to appoint a Program Committee to arrange a program for the next sitting of the association.

By motion, the moderator appointed the following delegates to the National Association: Mrs. C. B. Thompson, Mrs. Ola Mae Winters, Mrs. R. B. Crawford, Mrs. M. L. Sutton, Mrs. Jack Turrentine, Mrs. Huey Gower, Mr. Clyde Goen, Mr. J. R. Adams, Mrs. J. R. Adams, and Mr. J. L. Vance. The Moderator was empowered to arrange for the proper number of delegates in case those appointed fail to attend.

Rev. W. A. Hearron requested that this association send corresponding delegates to the Oklahoma State Association, which meets Tuesday night before the fourth Sunday in October.

By motion, the Moderator appointed Rev. C. B. Thompson as this delegate.

Motion that the motion tabled, remain on the table until the Thursday afternoon session of next association and seconded by Brother Vance. Motion carried.

Rev. R. B. Crawford urged Texas Home Missions Board and Superannuation Board to cooperate with the National Association in its program.

Motion that we have 1000 copies of minutes printed.

The minutes were read and by motion, adopted as read.

Motion that we adjourn to meet on Tuesday night before the First Sunday in November, 1953.

Rev. Noah Tuttle, Moderator

Mrs. Huey Gower, Clerk

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### Resolutions Committee

1. Be it resolved that the Texas Association of Free Will Baptists ask the Orphanage Board to contact the officials of the Oklahoma Orphanage to see if a plan can be worked out whereby Texas will be able to send children to the Oklahoma Orphanage.

2. Be it resolved that the Texas State Association approve and recommend to the National Association in its July 1953 session that it take steps toward drafting a more specific and detailed standard by which all ordaining councils shall be governed in the ordination of ministers.

3. Be it resolved that all the ministers of the State Association give an annual report of his work to the Body and be granted a card of good standing on the merits of his life and work. ( I am working in conjunction with, and in the interest of Christ and Free Will Baptists).

4. Be it resolved that the Texas Association go on record as rejecting the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible as being authentic to the true Word of God. (Tabled)

5. Be it resolved that the Body extend a rising vote of thanks to the Host Church for the wonderful way they have entertained this session of the association.

#### Committee on Committees

We, your Committees, recommend the following:

Resolution Committee-W. D. Phillips, Rev. J. M. Goode, Rev. H. Z. Cox.

Temperance Committee-Rev. Troy Lee McDonald, Rev. R. E. Conner, Rev. L. J. Forman.

Obituary Committee-J. E. Maricle, Mrs. M. L. Sutton, Mrs. R. B. Crawford.

Teff Covington, Chairman  
A. A. Williams  
B. F. Rogers

#### Obituary Committee

We, your Committee on Obituary, submit the following report:

Seven deaths in Central Texas Association, six in the Texas Association, none in the North West Brazos

eleven in West Fork; one in South East Texas, total number of deaths 25.

We request that the State Body stand and have prayer for all the bereaved ones.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. J. E. Maricle

Mrs. M. L. Sutton

Mrs. R. B. Crawford

Temperance Committee

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg to submit the following report:

By way of commendation, we are happy to report that our people on a whole believes in, and practices temperance and true holiness; for this we are truly grateful.

But we are greatly disturbed over the rapid outburst of intemperance in our land in the past twenty years and feel that our people need to be called to an active program of exposing the evils of intemperance as well as being charged to constant prayer.

Rev. R. E. Conner

Rev. Troy Lee McDonald

Rev. L. J. Forman

Auditing Committee

We have audited the books of the Foreign Mission Treasurer and find they are in order and all funds accounted for.

Rev. J. M. Goode

Rev. O. H. Washburn

Ray T. Trant

# Credentials Committee

## Associations reported:

|                                            |         |
|--------------------------------------------|---------|
| North West Brazos District Association---- | \$10.00 |
| Central Texas District Association-----    | \$15.00 |
| South East Texas District Association----- | \$20.00 |
| Texas District Association-----            | \$16.00 |
| West Fork District Association-----        | \$15.00 |

## Churches reporting:

|               |        |                         |        |
|---------------|--------|-------------------------|--------|
| Vernon-----   | \$5.00 | Fort Worth, First-----  | \$5.00 |
| Waco-----     | \$5.00 | Pleasant Mound-----     | \$5.00 |
| Bryan-----    | \$5.00 | Comm. Church Ft.Wth.--- | \$5.00 |
| Dot-----      | \$5.00 | Wichata Falls-----      | \$5.00 |
| Weatherford-- | \$5.00 | First Ch. Dallas-----   | \$5.00 |
| Cross-----    | \$5.00 | Easleys Chapel-----     | \$5.00 |
| Bright Light- | \$5.00 | Bonnie View-----        | \$5.00 |
| Evergreen---  | \$5.00 | Huntsville-----         | \$5.00 |
| Trinity-----  | \$5.00 | Denton-----             | \$5.00 |
| New Salem---  | \$2.00 | Bowie-----              | \$5.00 |
| Rose Wood---  | \$5.00 | Mt. Olive-----          | \$5.00 |
| Denison-----  | \$5.00 | Pine Prairie-----       | \$5.00 |

Rev. C. B. Thompson

Rev. L. J. Forman

Ray T. Trant

## REPORTS of BOARDS

### Free Will Baptist League

We recommend that each district association sponsor a league rally or convention.

2. That each district rally or convention cooperate with all other districts, and with the State League Board in forming and carrying on a State League Conference or Convention.

3. That the State League Board be relieved of the responsibility of sponsoring a state league encampment, and the securing of a state league camp site.

4. That we encourage the holding of youth encampments by one or more districts youth conventions.

5. That the donors to the State Youth Campgrounds be contacted as to what is to be done with funds they have given and are held by the State League Board.

6. That the League Board be contacted if need for organizational help to get district groups organized. Write to Rev. R. B. Crawford, Bryan, Texas.

Robert B. Crawford, Chairman  
Troy McDonald

#### Woman's Auxiliary

The Texas State Woman's Auxiliary Convention met with Mt. Olive Church Tuesday after the second Sunday in June. The theme of the program was "The Hour is come to Win Souls to Christ". There were two district Convention representing and one local auxiliary from another convention.

Number of Auxiliaries-----12

Number of members-----113

Churches having an auxiliary but not organized into a district convention--Community church, Fort Worth, Trinity church, Fort Worth, First Church, Dallas, Bowie, Wichita Falls, Pleasant Mound, Amarillo.

According to the plan of work of the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention, a workshop was held at the Bryan church and approximately 60 people attended. Mrs. Eunice Edwards, The National Promotional Chairman was in charge of the study.



The W. N. A. C. while in session at Shawnee, Okla. voted to purchase a Hammond organ for the Bible College. The organ was presented at the missionary conference. A down payment of \$200.00 was made and the balance is to be made in three monthly payments. Texas is cooperating in this project and the first payment has already been made.

The next convention will meet on Tuesday after the second Sunday in June at Bright Light Church in Central Texas Association.

Mrs. Huey Gower

Mrs. R. B. Crawford

### Superannuation Report

Balance brought forward-----\$116.53

#### Receipts:

Clayton Church-----\$19.80

Good Hope Church-----\$12.98

Central Texas Quarterly Meet.---\$32.34

Total Received-----\$65.12

Grand Total--\$181.65

#### Disbursements:

J. L. Payne-----\$120.00

J. H. Dowell-----\$ 30.00

Total -----\$150.00

Balance in Treasury \$31.65

Rev. C. J. Hearn, Chairman

### Home Missions

Collected during the year 1952-----\$242.92

Balance in Treasury November 1, 1951--\$ 651.08

Expenses during 1952

|                                         |          |
|-----------------------------------------|----------|
| Rosewood Church-----                    | \$200.00 |
| Henderson Church-----                   | \$150.00 |
| Total-----                              | \$350.00 |
| Balance in Treasury, Oct. 26, 1952----- | \$544.00 |

Noah C. Cole, Treasurer

### Treasurer's Report

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Balance left from 1951----- | \$70.74  |
| Dues from Churches-----     | \$145.00 |
| Associational Dues-----     | \$281.74 |

### Disbursements:

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Foreign Missions (Calvery Fund)---  | \$84.84  |
| National Association Dues-----      | \$35.00  |
| Cost of State Minutes-----          | \$47.75  |
| Clerk's Expense-----                | \$10.00  |
| Telegrams-----                      | \$ 3.80  |
| Printing programs for 1951 Ass'n--  | \$ 2.50  |
| Postage on National Ass'n. Minute-- | \$ .80   |
| Total Paid out-----                 | \$184.69 |
| Balance on hand Oct. 28, 1953-----  | \$ 97.05 |

Respectfully Submitted,  
Herbert Richards, Treas.

### Foreign Mission Report

### Receipts

|                     |           |
|---------------------|-----------|
| General Fund-----   | \$1014.14 |
| Calvery Fund-----   | \$1755.29 |
| Total Receipts----- | \$2769.43 |

Note: All Receipts forwarded to Rev. Raymond Riggs,  
242 Victor Avenue, Highland Park, 3 Mich.

Rev. Gaston Clary,

Treasurer

## MINISTERS' DIRECTORY

### Central Texas Association

Berry, H. Ray, 1031 E. 14th St. , Houston, Texas  
Bounds, J. L. , 412 E. 28th St., Houston, Texas  
Clary, Gaston, 305A. Homestead, Bryan, Texas  
Crawford, R. B. , 109 S. Baylor Ave. , Bryan, Texas  
Creel, Royce C. , Huntsville, Texas  
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Halbrook, Alvin F., Box 208, Route 3, Bryan, Texas  
Handy, J. W., 7837 Baltimore Ave., Houston, Texas  
Hellard, Everett D., Houston, Texas  
McAdams, H. M., Huntsville, Texas  
McAdams, Mrs. Lizzie, Huntsville, Texas  
Payne, J. L., 6708 Ave. , C. , Houston, Texas  
Rogers, Bert, 3922 Pickfair, Houston, Texas

### Texas Association

Goode, J. M. , Laird Hill, Texas  
Gower, Huey E., Star Route, Henderson, Texas  
Griffin, S. P., Big Sandy, Texas  
Kester, Mrs. Amanda, Arp, Texas  
McDonald, Troy Lee, Laneville, Texas  
Newberry, John, Kilgore, Texas  
Page, J. A. , Kilgore, Texas  
Smith, T. W. , Henderson, Texas  
Tuttle, Noah, 305 Truman Drive, Henderson, Texas  
Vaughn, E. J., Bryan, Texas  
Williams, A. A., Laneville, Texas  
Williams, Dewey, 1911 Erie Ave., Tulsa, Oklahoma  
(Licensed Ministers)  
Dunn Arthur, Englewood, Colorado  
Stegall, C. D., Marshall, Texas

### North West Brazos Association

Curly, T. P. , address unknown  
Estes, Mrs. Lelia, Memphis, Texas

Florence, T. L., Canyon, Texas  
Garrett, G. G., Vernon, Texas  
Harp, Troy, 104 Monroe, Amarillo, Texas  
Haston, H. H., Route 2, Paducah, Texas  
Haston, W. D., Armed Forces  
Hobbs, E. A., Odessa, Texas  
Holley, M. T., New Deal, Texas  
Johnson, Heber, Memphis, Texas  
Jones, Omer, 713 N. E., Amarillo, Texas  
Minor, James F., 900 N. Johnson, Amarillo, Texas  
Nall, B. R., Benjamin, Texas  
Rogers, J. E., Vernon, Texas  
Stephenson, Vernon, Texas  
Winters, W. W., Vernon, Texas  
Wooten, Plainview, Texas  
Jones, R. V., address unknown (Licensed)

South East Texas Association

Sheffield, Bob, Route 2, Box 266, Newton, Texas  
Young, A. A., Kirbyville, Texas

West Fork Association

Almond, C. C., 2628 E. Rosedale, Fort Worth (Licd.)  
Armstrong, J. C., Andrews, Texas  
Bennett, Frank, Fort Worth (Licensed)  
Brooks, J. A., Box 236-B, Wichita Falls, Texas  
Brown, Will, Bowie, Texas  
Chaffin, Braxton, Fort Worth, Texas (Licensed)  
Conner, R. E., Route 2, Bellevue, Texas  
Covington, Tiff, 412 Small St., Bowie, Texas  
Cox, H. Z., 3312 Michigan, Dallas, Texas  
Emerson, Kenneth, Decatur, Texas  
Ferguson, A. F., Route 1, Box 218-A, Weatherford, Tex.  
Ferguson, Mrs. A. F. Rt. 1, Bx. 218-A, Weatherford  
Ferguson, Norman, Rt. 1, Bx. 218-A, Weatherford, Tex.  
Fielding, A. J., 2206 Vilbig Road, Dallas, Texas  
Gilley, J. M., 2108 Cavitt, Bryan, Texas (Licd.)  
Guthrie, J. W., Dallas, Texas

Haney, J. H., 1002 S. College, Bryan, Texas  
 Hearron, C. J., 2326 N. Riverside Dr., Fort Worth, Tex.  
 Hudson, A. L., Decatur, Texas  
 Hughes, J. A. C., Route 1, Midland, Texas  
 Hughes, Burton, Midland, Texas  
 Kennedy, W. V., 817 Gray Road, Dallas, Texas  
 Marecle, J. E., Route 9, Box 2179, Waco, Texas  
 Parton, L. M., Rosebud, Texas  
 Patton, Ted, Routel, Comanche, Texas (Licensed)  
 Reid, H. E., Fort Worth, Route 4, Box 298  
 Richards, W. H., Farmers Branch, Texas  
 Rogers, R. H., Comanche, Texas  
 Savage, Alford, Midland, Texas  
 Sheets, Harold, Argyle, Texas  
 Slakey, Larry, Dallas, Texas (Licensed)  
 St. John, H. C., Fort Worth, Texas (Licensed)  
 Sutton, M. L., 2605 Skyline Drive, Fort Worth, Texas  
 Thompson, C. B., 2003 Prairie, Fort Worth, Texas  
 Turrentine, G. J., 4300 Ave. H, Fort Worth, Texas  
 Walker, Mrs. Verda, 316 Eureka, Weatherford, Texas  
 Washburn, O. H., 1516 33rd. St., Wichita Falls, Texas  
 Zoellars, E. E., Dallas, Texas

### Statistical Report

| Association   | No. Churches | Membership | Rec'd | Dism. |
|---------------|--------------|------------|-------|-------|
| N.W. Brazos   | 6            | 232        | 78    | 14    |
| Cent. Texas   | 10           | 842        | 164   | 37    |
| So. East Tex. | 4            | 67         | -     | 4     |
| West Fork     | 18           | 1303       | 307   | 112   |
| Texas         | 16           | 781        | 57    | 4     |
| Total         | 54           | 3225       | 606   | 171   |
|               |              |            |       |       |

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| Association    | Dec'd             | S. S.         | F.W.B.L.        | Woman's Aux.    |
|----------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                | Enrolled          | Enrolled      | Enrolled        |                 |
| N. W. Brazos   | 1                 | 264           | 82              | 21              |
| Cent. Texas    | 7                 | 626           | 237             | 79              |
| So. East Tex.  | 1                 | 104           | -               | -               |
| West Fork      | 11                | 1190          | 107             | 79              |
| Texas          | 6                 | 301           | 185             | 34              |
| Total          | 26                | 2485          | 611             | 213             |
| Association    | Paid Pastor       | Evang-elist   | Inci-dentials   | Benev-olence    |
| N. W. Brazos   | 1687.17           | 744.58        | 93.00           | -               |
| Cent. Texas    | 14398.60          | 1542.49       | 1896.02         | 213.96          |
| So. East Tex.  | 665.53            | 98.95         | -               | -               |
| West Fork      | 21706.44          | 1575.71       | 5378.21         | 30.00           |
| Texas          | 8072.55           | 395.20        | 842.51          | 46.51           |
| Total          | 33561.29          | 4356.93       | 8209.74         | 289.77          |
| Association    | Value Prop.       | Educ-ation    | Foreign Mission | Home Mission    |
| N. W. Brazos   | 19,000.           | 124.42        | 45.00           | -               |
| Cent. Texas    | 87,700.           | 646.72        | 1506.30         | 17.70           |
| So. East Tex.  | 10,000.           | -             | -               | -               |
| West Fork      | 145,615           | 196.47        | 170.15          | 423.16          |
| Texas          | 50,500.           | -             | 233.44          | 141.60          |
| Total          | 181,761.          | 967.61        | 1954.89         | 582.46          |
| Association    | Super-annuation   | Children Home | Liter-ature     | Unified Program |
| N. W. Brazos   | 90.00             | 56.60         | 610.96          | -               |
| Cent. Texas    | 6.70              | 194.35        | 738.40          | 960.80          |
| So. East Tex.  | -                 | -             | -               | -               |
| West Fork      | -                 | 221.31        | 284.42          | -               |
| Texas          | -                 | 43.22         | -               | 167.18          |
| Total          | 96.70             | 518.48        | 1633.78         | 1127.98         |
| Association    | Building & Repair | Other         |                 |                 |
| N. W. Brazos   | 7643.11           | -             |                 |                 |
| Cent. Texas    | 3212.40           | 825.31        |                 |                 |
| So. East Texas | 236.20            | -             |                 |                 |
| West Fork      | 14221.45          | 481.22        |                 |                 |
| Texas          | 140.99            | -             |                 |                 |
| Total          | 25454.15          | 1306.53       |                 |                 |

## CONSTITUTION

Article 1-This organization shall be known as the Texas State Association of Free Will Baptists, and shall be composed of all regularly appointed delegates from well organized and well disciplined associations; with all regular, and orderly, ordained and licensed ministers and ordained deacons who hold membership in some regular and district association of the State of Texas.

Article 2-The purpose of this Association shall be to edify and mutually uplift the Free Will Baptist Denomination, the spreading of the gospel to the end of saving the lost and the general advancement of the Kingdom of Christ in the earth.

Article 3-This Association shall consist of the various associations and churches which are known to be orthodox and orderly, and shall have representation on the following basis, to-wit: each association shall be represented on the basis of one delegate per each one hundred members or fractional part thereof, and each church shall be allowed two delegates regardless of number of members. Each Association with a membership of 500 or less send with its representatives and letter a minimum of \$10.00; each Association with more than 500 members shall send \$5.00 for each additional 500 members or fractional part thereof, and that each church send a minimum of \$5.00.

Article 4-The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Publicity Director, Statistician and Parliamentarian. Boards of three members each shall be elected for the following departments: Christian Education, F. W. Baptist League, Woman's Auxiliary, Sunday Schools, and Foreign Missions. Their term of office shall be one year, with members to be elected alternately.

The body shall elect boards of five members each for the following departments: Home Missions, Superannuation, and Orphanage. The members to be elected on the following basis: two members for a term of one year, two members for a term of two years, and one member to serve a term of three years; after which all members shall be elected to serve terms of three years. The election of officers and board members shall become the next item of business following the seating of delegates. The Moderator shall have authority to appoint members to fill the unexpired time of any member or members vacating their positions between sessions of the Association.

Article 5-It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Association, appoint committees not otherwise provided for, and to strive to promote the general interest of the Association. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to serve in all capacities of the President in his absence, and to associate with him all the duties of the office upon the call of the president. It shall be the duty of the recording secretary to make a record of all proceedings of the Association, to prepare manuscripts for having minutes printed and negotiate deal for the same, to keep files of minutes of all previous sessions and to carry on all necessary correspondence for the body. He shall be allowed \$10.00 annually for his services. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to be custodian of all funds of the Association and disburse same, only on authority of the body; and he shall be required to make a full report at each annual session. His books must be kept in balance with those of the recording secretary at all times. It shall be the duty of the publicity director to have charge of all advertising matters correlated with the work of the Association. It shall be the duty of the statistician to endeavor to compile the statistics of all work done over the state at each annual session of the Association; also



to communicate such statistics as he shall be able to assemble to the National Statistician annually. It shall be the duty of the parliamentarian to keep before him at all times during an assembly of the body good rules of parliamentary usage, and when it is deemed necessary he shall call attention to any irregular procedure. It shall be the privilege of the presiding officer to call upon the parliamentarian for rules of order at any time he finds it necessary.

Article 6-Representation from a majority of the District Associations of the State of Texas shall be declared a quorum at any regular or called meeting of the Association.

Article 7-Any well organized and well disciplined Free Will Baptist Association within the State of Texas; composed of such churches as have adopted the doctrines, and as conform to the usages of the Free Will Baptist Denomination as set forth in the Treatise of Faith of the National Association, may upon proper application become a member of this Association. Any church conforming to such regulations, as above set forth, may also become a member of this body even though the local Association of which it is a member is not a regular member of the State Body.

Article 8-It shall be required of all District Associations and churches composing this Association to represent themselves by delegates and communicate by letter, their standing, prospects, and statistics.

Article 9-At each session of this assembly it shall act on all questions and matters referred to it, and transact such business as tends to promote the interests of our denomination and the cause of Christ, in the bounds of this Association.

Article 10-This Association shall have the authority

to discipline any Association or church holding membership herewith for disorderly walk and to exclude same if efforts prove unavailing; but in no case shall it have a right to reverse decisions.

Article 11-This Association shall have an Executive Committee composed of all the officers designated in Article Four.

Article 12-The functions of the Executive Committee shall be to have supervision of all associational work and shall act for the Association between sessions; minutes of all transactions to be read before the annual session of the Association and printed in minutes, should the body deem it wise.

Article 13-The Constitution may be altered or amended in any regular session of the Association by a vote of two-thirds majority of the body, provided proposed amendment has been read before the body and placed on the table one day in advance of the time the vote is to be taken.

#### BY-LAWS

Article 1-The President or Vice-President, or in their absence, the senior minister in years shall call the Association into conference, and if a quorum is known to be present, the body may proceed with business according to outlined program.

Article 2-All persons declared by the Credentials Committee to be eligible to represent in the Association are hereby made and constituted members of this body, and are authorized to act in all respects according to the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws under which this Association is governed.

Article 3-Delegates from corresponding bodies and brethren invited to seats in the Association shall

be entitled to all privileges of the Association except voting.

Article 4-No person shall speak more than twice on the same question, nor over ten minutes at the time, without special permission of the Association; neither shall anyone be recognized by the presiding officer without first rising and addressing the chair; and shall not proceed with discussion or statement until recognized by the chair.

Article 5-It shall not be considered regular for any member of the body to leave its session without special permission of the presiding officer, and those who do such, lay themselves liable to public censure. No member shall take final leave from any regular or called session without special permission from the Association.

Article 6-The business of this Association shall be governed by good parliamentary regulations at all times.

Article 7-No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee, provided the person nominated be elected.

Article 8-The program of each annual meeting shall be prepared by the regularly elected or appointed Program Committee; programs to be distributed thirty days in advance of setting of Association.

Article 9-The following standing committees shall be appointed at each setting of the Association: Temperance, Resolution, Program, Credentials, Obituary, and Committee on Committees.

Article 10-Each session shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and prayer, and shall be closed with prayer.

Article 11-Minutes of each session shall be carefully read and corrected before final adjournment.

Article 12-These By-Laws may be amended at any regular session of the Association, by a two-thirds majority vote of the body, provided proposed amendment has been read before the body and placed on the table one day in advance of the time the vote is to be taken.

Greetings from \_\_\_\_\_ Church to  
the \_\_\_\_\_

(State whether Quarterly or Yearly Meeting  
or Association)

when Convened with \_\_\_\_\_ Church at

We send as delegates, our beloved:

DELEGATES

ALTERNATES

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whom we pray you will receive to sit with you to aid  
you in your godly deliberations.

Pastor's name and address \_\_\_\_\_  
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NAMES OF MINISTERS AND DEACONS

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Done by order of church assembled in conference this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_

Moderator

Clerk

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